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***MAINstage TV set-top audio system
provides needed solution for the hearing impaired***

San Francisco, CA - February 1, 2004 - Dr. Douglas L. Beck, audiologist and Editor-In-Chief of www.healthyhearing.com, the world's leading website for hearing healthcare news and information commented on a recent Soundmatters MAINstage demonstration... "Having a broad spectrum of sound for hearing impaired and hard-of-hearing listeners is extremely important. The Soundmatters MAINstage is compact, easy to install, and offers full theater-like sound and seems to allow more sound from the recorded format to be delivered to the ear, or the hearing aid, than does a typical home-based TV sound system. The increased high frequency response allows people with common types of hearing loss (sensorineural, high frequency hearing loss) to have a greater opportunity to perceive the sounds of the movie, the DVD or the CD."

Dr. Beck recommends hearing impaired and hard-of-hearing people use high fidelity sound systems and FM systems for a better opportunity to appreciate and understand speech with and without hearing aids.

The MAINstage provides a better opportunity to perceive speech clearly, the high fidelity response can allow increased word recognition ability and can benefit people with and without hearing loss.

For more information about hearing, hearing loss and hearing aids, please visit www.healthyhearing.com.