AppendixB: Emotional Communication in Hearing Questionnaire (EMO-CHeQ)

Instructions: Please read the following items and indicate your level of agreement with each statement using the following rating scale: 1 = Strongly disagree; 2 = Slightly disagree; 3 = Neither agree nor disagree; 4 = Slightly agree; 5 = Strongly agree.

1. I have difficulty identifying the emotions expressed by people I interact with on a regular basis.

2. I have difficulty understanding emotions expressed in speech by men.

3. I have difficulty understanding emotions expressed in speech by women.

4. I find it difficult to identify the emotions of people speaking on television.

5. I have difficulty understanding emotions expressed in speech by young adults.

6. I find that people misinterpret my emotions (e.g. others think I am angry when I am not angry).

7. I find it difficult to monitor the way my emotions come across in my speech.

8. I find it difficult to convey my emotions about a subject in a subtle manner using the tone of my voice.

9. I find that it is difficult to express my emotions about a topic out loud using the tone of my voice.

10. It is harder for me to identify the emotions expressed by others when I’m in a noisy environment.

11. I find it challenging to identify emotions expressed by others when there is someone else talking at the same time.

12. Difficulties identifying emotions in speech make me feel left out when in groups.

13. Difficulty identifying emotions expressed in speech cause me to feel uncomfortable when talking to friends.

14. Difficulties identifying emotions expressed in speech cause me to feel sad.

15. Difficulties understanding emotions expressed in speech cause me to feel frustrated.

16. My difficulty identifying emotions expressed in speech negatively affects my relationships with friends and family.

Scoring:

Total: Compute the mean score across all of the items.

Talkers subscale: Compute the mean score for items 1 to 5.

Production subscale: Compute the mean score for items 6 to 9.

Situational factors subscale: Compute the mean score for items 10 to 11.

Socio-emotional wellbeing subscale: Compute the mean score for items 12 to 16.