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Anomalous Low-Loss Transmission in a Gas-Confined Dielectric Waveguide for Millimeter and Submillimeter Wavelengths (Short Papers)

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A novel low-loss (gas-confined) dielectric waveguide for millimeter and submillimeter wavelengths was previously reported by the author. The waveguide consists of a thin dielectric tube separating an internal high-dielectric-constant gas from an external low-dielectric-constant gas. The attenuation constant of this form of waveguide usually increases with increasing tube thickness. The thick tube is indispensable for a mechanically stable waveguide. In this paper, anomalous low-loss transmission characteristics in a gas-confined dielectric waveguide with a thick tube are described. Some conditions are theoretically found where the attenuation constant of the waveguide with a thick tube is extremely low, due to tight field confinement within the internal gas. A qualitative explanation of the operation mechanism is also given.

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