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MULTIFUNCTION MICROWAVE MODULES

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This session will discuss the collection of research-and-development and production-fabrication problems associated with the successful implementation of multi-function microwave assemblies. The challenge of this implementation is to incorporate all circuit functions needed to satisfy some transfer characteristic into a single compact enclosure, using transmission line techniques that not only perform well, but that are also cost-effective and amenable to high-volume production. Topics to be addressed include:

- Feed-thru and interconnection problems
- Approaches for minimizing the number of components for a given number of functions
- Assessment of relative importance of size, cost, weight
- Trade-offs in employing single transmission medium vs. multiple-transmission media approach
- Advantages and disadvantages of various transmission lines
- Techniques for treating higher-order mode and inter-component isolation
- Scale-of-integration limitations
- Packaging techniques
- Manufacturing-related problems
- Military specifications
- Standardization of components for multi-function assemblies
- Cost trade-offs in multi-function vs. single-function packaging
- Impact of single-package contents on system testing, field or factory repairability, yield, and tune-up ease for various operating frequencies

The session will begin with a brief overview of this technological area given by the keynote speaker. Each panel member will then make a short statement highlighting important aspects of this technology from his vantage point. The session will then move into a discussion phase amongst both panel members and interested audience participants.

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