Comparison of Tracking Resistance and Performance of Long-Distance Optical Cables

Article Overview

Long-distance optical cables achieve high data performance through low attenuation and dispersion, while tracking-resistant materials enhance durability in high-voltage aerial installations.

Tracking Resistance in Optical Cables

Tracking resistance refers to a cable's ability to withstand dielectric degradation caused by electrical discharges on or within the insulating material. In high-voltage aerial installations, optical cables are exposed to partial discharges, corona effects, humidity, and environmental pollution, which can lead to surface arcing and insulation breakdown over time . Modern tracking-resistant materials, such as silane-modified polyolefins, are engineered to resist these effects by forming a crosslinked, moisture-stable polymer that prevents the formation of dry bands and surface carbonization . These materials maintain high surface resistivity even under contaminated conditions, ensuring long-term reliability in medium to high-voltage applications.

Optical Performance of Long-Distance Cables

Long-distance optical cables rely on single-mode fiber (SMF) to minimize modal dispersion and support stable transmission over tens to hundreds of kilometers . Ke...

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Electrical tracking resistance of polymers II. RESULTS WITH

This difficulty in predicting the wet tracking resistance of materials, coupled with the fact that dust-fog tests have become more

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Table 2 lists the mechanical test results obtained on the cable sample and Table 3 displays PCT requirements along with the

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Optical and material performances of the cable under mechanical stress were compared to historical test data on the single-armored,

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