

## Nomenclature

EM – electromagnetic radiation

EMI – electromagnetic interference

CNT – carbon nanotube

MWCNT – Multiwalled carbon nanotubes

PNC – polymer nanocomposite

AR – aspect ratio

PBN – polymer blend nanocomposite

CB – carbon black

$\omega_{A\ to\ B}$  - wettability of nanofiller within a binary blend of polymer A and B (unitless)

$\sigma_{A/B}$  - surface energy between component A and B ( $\text{mJ}/\text{m}^2$ )

PS – polystyrene

ABS – acrylonitrile butadiene styrene

PA12 – polyamide 12

PE – polyethylene

PLA – polylactic acid

PCL – polycaprolactone

PVDF – poly(vinylidene difluoride)

LM – light microscope

TEM – transmission electron microscope

MB – masterbatch

APAM – Alberta Polymer Asymmetric Mini-mixer

BSE – backscattered electron

SEM – scanning electron microscope

LFD – large field detector

EMI SE – electromagnetic interference shielding effectiveness (dB)

EMI SE<sub>A</sub> – EMI SE due to absorption (dB)

EMI SE<sub>R</sub> – EMI SE due to reflection (dB)

EMI SE<sub>MR</sub> – EMI SE due to multiple reflections (dB)

EMI SE<sub>T</sub> – Total EMI SE (dB)

LVE – linear viscoelastic region

$\sigma_{DC}$  - DC electrical conductivity (S/cm)

$\epsilon'$  - real permittivity (unitless, relative to permittivity of free space)

$\epsilon''$  - imaginary permittivity (unitless, relative to permittivity of free space)

$\epsilon^*$  - complex permittivity (unitless, relative to permittivity of free space)

$G'$  – storage modulus (Pa)

$G''$  – loss modulus (Pa)

SFM – “Slim-Fast Mechanism”

$\theta_c$  – contact or wetting angle (°)

$\frac{dG}{dx}$  – change in Gibbs free energy with respect to migration path (J/m)

$\frac{dA_{ab}}{dx}$  – change in polymer A/polymer B interfacial area with respect to migration path (m<sup>2</sup>/m)

$\frac{dA_{pb}}{dx}$  – change in polymer A/polymer B interfacial area with respect to migration path (m<sup>2</sup>/m)

$\tau$  – 3-phase contact line between polymer A, polymer B and nanofiller (m)

$\frac{dL}{dx}$  – change in penetration length of nanofiller with respect to migration path (m/m)