



**MAKING  
FIBER OPTICS  
IN SPACE**

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00:00:01,000 --> 00:00:08,375  
[ MUSIC ]

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00:00:08,375 --> 00:00:09,175  
>> WE'RE EXCITED AT

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00:00:09,175 --> 00:00:10,477  
MADE IN SPACE TO WORK WITH

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00:00:10,477 --> 00:00:12,078  
NASA AND CASIS TO USE

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00:00:12,078 --> 00:00:14,047  
THE ISS NATIONAL LAB.

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00:00:14,047 --> 00:00:15,382  
MADE IN SPACE FIBER OPTICS

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00:00:15,382 --> 00:00:18,218  
IS A PAYLOAD TO MANUFACTURE

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00:00:18,218 --> 00:00:19,419  
ZBLAN GLASS FIBER

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00:00:19,419 --> 00:00:20,820  
IN MICROGRAVITY.

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00:00:20,820 --> 00:00:22,155  
IT WILL PRODUCE HUNDREDS

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00:00:22,155 --> 00:00:23,990  
OF METERS OF VERY,

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00:00:23,990 --> 00:00:26,393  
VERY HIGH END OPTICAL FIBER.

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00:00:26,393 --> 00:00:27,660

## MANUFACTURING FIBER

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00:00:27,660 --> 00:00:29,896  
IN MICROGRAVITY HAS BEEN

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00:00:29,896 --> 00:00:32,432  
THEORIZED TO INCREASE

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00:00:32,432 --> 00:00:33,767  
THE PERFORMANCE BY CREATING

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00:00:33,767 --> 00:00:35,902  
A BETTER PRODUCT-- A BETTER

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00:00:35,902 --> 00:00:38,371  
PRODUCT MEANING A CLEARER,

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00:00:38,371 --> 00:00:40,373  
MORE PURE GLASS.

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00:00:40,373 --> 00:00:41,608  
AND THAT IS DUE TO

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00:00:41,608 --> 00:00:43,476  
THE MICROCRYSTAL FORMATION.

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00:00:43,476 --> 00:00:45,011  
IT MAKES THE GLASS A LITTLE

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00:00:45,011 --> 00:00:46,980  
CLOUDIER WHEN THE CRYSTALS

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00:00:46,980 --> 00:00:47,914  
FORM HERE ON EARTH,

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00:00:47,914 --> 00:00:48,648  
AND IN SPACE IT'LL BE

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00:00:48,648 --> 00:00:49,949

MORE PURE AND CLEAR.

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00:00:49,949 --> 00:00:50,950

IN A MICROGRAVITY,

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00:00:50,950 --> 00:00:52,485

THEY FORM IN A DIFFERENT WAY,

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00:00:52,485 --> 00:00:53,653

IN A MORE PURE WAY

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00:00:53,653 --> 00:00:55,789

WITH FEWER DEFECTS.

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00:00:55,789 --> 00:00:57,223

WHAT COULD HAPPEN IS

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00:00:57,223 --> 00:00:58,658

A 100 TIMES INCREASE

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00:00:58,658 --> 00:01:00,193

IN PERFORMANCE.

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00:01:00,193 --> 00:01:01,261

THIS IS A REALLY COOL PROJECT

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00:01:01,261 --> 00:01:03,930

BECAUSE IT CAN BENEFIT

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00:01:03,930 --> 00:01:05,265

EVERYONE HERE ON EARTH.

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00:01:05,265 --> 00:01:07,033

FIBER OPTICS ARE USED FOR

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00:01:07,033 --> 00:01:08,468

VARIOUS APPLICATIONS--

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00:01:08,468 --> 00:01:09,969  
MEDICAL DEVICES, LASERS,

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00:01:09,969 --> 00:01:11,838  
BUT ALSO INTERNET.

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00:01:11,838 --> 00:01:13,306  
AND THIS COULD REALLY

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00:01:13,306 --> 00:01:14,607  
HELP IMPROVE BANDWIDTH

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00:01:14,607 --> 00:01:16,743  
AND PERFORMANCE, AND LOWER

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00:01:16,743 --> 00:01:17,944  
THE COST OF INTERNET

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00:01:17,944 --> 00:01:19,579  
AND DATA CENTERS.