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(57) **ABSTRACT**

[Problem] Provided is an airtight terminal that is configured to lessen distortion-borne stress caused in a metallic outer ring as a result of screw fastening or other fixing means to prevent the stress from readily propagating to an insulating material in a sealed place of a lead.

[Solution] An airtight terminal is provided that includes a metallic outer ring **13** having through holes **11** formed for screw fastening and sealing holes **12**, leads **14** inserted through the sealing holes **12** in the metallic outer ring **13**, and pieces of an insulating material **15** to seal gaps between the metallic outer ring **13** and the respective leads **14**. The metallic outer ring **13** is provided with pairs of cavities **13a** and steps **13b** surrounding the respective sealing holes **12**.

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