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IMPROVED MICROCELL SYSTEM FOR CELLULAR TELEPHONE SYSTEMS

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Abstract (en)

[origin: WO9107043A1] An improved microcell system for cellular telephone systems has a plurality of contiguous cells (201, 202, 203, etc.), wherein the cells are configured in a plurality of clusters (241-246, etc.) with each cell in a cluster having a different assigned set of transmission frequencies. Each frequency is assignable to a given mobile telephone within the cell for all locations of the mobile telephone within the cell. Frequency handoffs are provided for maintaining continuous communication from cell to cell. Each cell is provided with antennas (13, 15, 17) arranged and configured to limit propagation of signals substantially to one of a plurality of regions within the boundaries of the cell. Transmission at any one frequency is confined to the zone (132, 152, 172) wherein the strongest signal is received from the mobile telephone. Accordingly, the clusters of cells may be arranged with a frequency reuse pattern of three (200) and a ratio of co-channel separation to cell radius of less than four.

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