

Title (en)

Postage meter accounting system with rate control.

Title (de)

Frankiermaschinenverwaltungssystem mit Postgebührensteuerung.

Title (fr)

Système de comptabilisation d'une machine à affranchir avec contrôle de tarif postal.

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Abstract (en)

A mailing machine (1) includes a postage meter (3) for dispensing postage on envelopes positioned for postage printing on the mailing machine. The postage meter (3) includes a printing mechanism for printing postage information on an envelope. The mailing machine (1) also includes a microcomputer for controlling machine and meter operation, and also accounting for postage dispensed by the postage meter (3). Departmental accounting for dispensed postage as well as gross accounting is provided by the microcomputer. A keypad (9) is provided for operator entry of data to the microcomputer. Stored in computer memory is postal carrier and carrier fee information. Configured by the microcomputer and stored in computer memory are the permitted carrier and carrier fees sets for each department. The microcomputer is programmed to cause, in response to operator data entry through the keypad, the microcomputer to enable permitted carrier and carrier fees sets in accordance with operator selected department accounting during department mail posting by the postage meter mailing machine. <IMAGE>

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