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STECKHÜLSENKONTAKT POSITIONIER VERFAHREN

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CARACTERISTIQUE D'ADAPTABILITE DE LA POSITION DE CONTACT D'UNE PRISE DE COURANT

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Abstract (en)

[origin: WO9820584A1] An electrical connector (2) comprising a housing (18) with a contact (22) therein, the housing (18) including a contact receiving passageway (46) defined by opposing sidewalls (48, 50), the contact (22) having a connecting portion (26) for engaging a mating terminal (54) that is connected to a conductor engaging portion (28) by a compliant positioning member (30) that provides relative movement between the connection portion (26) and the conductor engaging portion (28) to accommodate any misalignement with the mating terminal (54), where the contact (22) is positioned in the contact receiving passageway (46) with the connecting portion (26) disposed between the opposing sidewalls (48, 50) and the connecting portion (26) includes a contact section (33) extending from a base (32) that is coupled to the compliance member (30), the connector being characterized in that the base (32) extends across the channel (46) between the sidewalls (48, 50) a distance A greater than that distance B which the contact section (33) extends, such that upon mating with a sufficiently misaligned mating terminal (54), the contact section (26) is displaced relative the conductor engaging portion (28) such that the base (32) comes into supporting contact with one of the sidewalls (50) to provide a fulcrum point (52) about which rotation G of the contact section (33) occurs upon further insertion of the sufficiently misaligned mating terminal (52).

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