

Title (en)

TECHNIQUE FOR EFFECTIVELY GENERATING MULTI-DIMENSIONAL SYMBOLS REPRESENTING POSTAL INFORMATION

Title (de)

TECHNIK ZUR EFFEKTIVEN ERZEUGUNG VON POSTINFORMATION REPRESENTIERENDEN MEHRDIMENSIONALE SYMBOLEN

Title (fr)

TECHNIQUE PERMETTANT DE GENERER DE MANIERE EFFICACE DES SYMBOLES MULTIDIMENSIONNELS REPRESENTANT DES INFORMATIONS POSTALES

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Abstract (en)

[origin: WO9916023A2] In a mailing system for franking a postage indicium serving as a proof of postage, postal data including the postage needs to be communicated through such an indicium. Illustratively, the postal data is categorized into (a) invariable postal data, e.g., a device ID identifying the mailing system, which is unaffected by a franking transaction, and (b) variable postal data, e.g., the postage, which may change from one franking transaction to another. To avoid latency of the franking operation, the invariable postal data is preset for initial printing of the postage indicium, and the variable postal data is determined and set for printing in real time. In printing the postage indicium, the invariable postal data and the variable postal data are presented in that order in one or more symbols.

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