

Title (en)

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING AN INTERACTIVE PROGRAM GUIDE WITH HEADEND PROCESSING

Title (de)

VERFAHREN UND VORRICHTUNG ZUR BEREITSTELLUNG EINER INTERAKTIVEN PROGRAMMZEITSCHRIFT MIT KOPFSTATIONSSEITIGER VERARBEITUNG

Title (fr)

PROCEDE ET DISPOSITIF PERMETTANT D'ETABLIR UN GUIDE DE PROGRAMMES INTERACTIF AVEC TRAITEMENT EN TETE

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