

Title (en)

DISTRIBUTED SYSTEM FOR CONDUCTING PHYSICAL DELIVERY MAIL SERVICE OVER THE INTERNET

Title (de)

VERTEILTES SYSTEM UM FYSISCH AUSLIEFERUNG VON POSTSERVICE ÜBER INTERNET AUSZUFÜHREN

Title (fr)

SYSTEME REPARTI SERVANT A L'EXECUTION D'UN SERVICE DE DISTRIBUTION PHYSIQUE DE COURRIER SUR L'INTERNET

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Abstract (en)

[origin: WO0057285A1] An electronic-to-physical mail delivery system including of a service pod (14) for receiving and processing electronic messages from a sender (12) and a plurality of printing stations, a selected one of which is adapted to receive the processed message from the service pod and print the message and related materials on printable medium. The printed and addressed message is then delivered to the Post Office (16) or similar physical mail delivery service which then delivers the message to the intended recipient (18) designated by the sender. The service pod includes a query engine in two-way communication with LPF servers (20, 22) at each of the printing stations over a wide-area-network (WAN) such as the Internet to dynamically determine the appropriateness (in terms of capability, capacity, etc.) of the particular print station to complete and deliver to the Post Office a particular print job.

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