

Title (en)

LOW IMPEDANCE ENCODER FOR A UTILITY METER

Title (de)

NIEDEROHMIGE KODIERVORRICHTUNG FÜR EINEN VERBRAUCHSZÄHLER

Title (fr)

CODEUR BASSE IMPEDANCE DESTINE A UN COMPTEUR D'ELECTRICITE

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Abstract (en)

[origin: WO0135058A1] A low impedance encoder generally comprises a clock source and a switch. The clock source operates according to a predetermined duty cycle. The switch has a first position, closed, and a second position, opened. The duty cycle controls a current flow through the switch. A high current flow through the switch indicates that the switch is closed and that the consumption of a utility as registered by the utility meter has occurred; the switch will continue to open and close throughout the metering process. A low current flow through the switch indicates that the switch is open.

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