

Title (en)

Vending apparatus for supplying food, in particular sweeteners, and method for supplying food from said apparatus

Title (de)

Verkaufsautomat und Verfahren zur Verteilung von Nahrungsmitteln, insbesondere Süßungsmitteln

Title (fr)

Machine de vente et méthode de distribution d'aliments, en particulier d'édulcorants

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Abstract (en)

A actuator (5) actuates a supply device containing sweetener tablets, in a tank (2). An optical sensor detects the discharge of sweetener tablet from the tank. The tank is supported by the supporting structures (2,4). An independent claim is also included for method for supplying food item.

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