

Title (en)

Method for obtaining a postage credit over a telecommunication network

Title (de)

Verfahren zum Erlangen eines Postguthabens über ein Telekommunikationsnetzwerk

Title (fr)

Procédé d'obtention d'un crédit d'affranchissement au travers d'un réseau de télécommunication

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Abstract (en)

The method involves entering a unique identification number (12A) carried by a mail item (12) in the user's possession, via a user's portable communication device (10). A franking credit is entered into the communication device, and the requested franking credit is transmitted to a franking credits delivery server (16). The user's account is debited by an amount corresponding to the requested franking credit, and a debit confirmation is transmitted by the franking credits delivery server to the communication device. The mail item is deposited in a post box (14) of a postal authority. An independent claim is also included for a computer program including code instructions for performing steps of a method of obtaining a franking credit.

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