

Title (en)  
SANITARY DISPENSER HAVING CAPACITIVE SENSOR

Title (de)  
SANITÄRSPENDER MIT KAPAZITIVEM SENSOR

Title (fr)  
DISTRIBUTEUR SANITAIRE À DÉTECTEUR CAPACITIF

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Abstract (en)  
[origin: WO2010121276A1] A sanitary dispenser (1), particularly a paper or towel dispenser, comprising a housing (9), in which a sanitary product (8) to be dispensed and a discharge unit (12) for the sanitary product (8) to be dispensed can be arranged or are arranged, and an electric motor (17) for the discharge unit (12), the motor being activatable in a non-contact manner by a capacitive sensor (10) from outside of the housing, wherein the sensor capacitance ( $C_s$ ) of the capacitive sensor (10) is formed by a planar electrode (11) arranged inside the housing and by the surface of a body part (21) and/or an object arranged outside of the housing.

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