

Title (en)

Process for operating a washer dryer with a heat pump, and a suitable washer dryer

Title (de)

Verfahren zur Bedienung eines Wäschetrockners mit Wärmepumpe und geeigneter Wäschetrockner

Title (fr)

Procédé pour faire fonctionner un sèche-linge avec une pompe à chaleur et lave-linge/sèche-linge approprié

Publication

**EP 2746455 A1 20140625 (EN)**

Application

**EP 12198525 A 20121220**

Priority

EP 12198525 A 20121220

Abstract (en)

The invention relates to a process for operating a washer dryer comprising a tub 1, a drum 2 mounted in the tub 1 to be rotatable around an essentially horizontal axis 30 for receiving laundry items 5, a control unit 16, a process air circuit 4 comprising a liquefier 8 of a heat pump circuit 8,9,10,11 and a blower 6 to heat and circulate the heated air through the drum 2, an evaporator 9 to condense moisture from the process air coming out of the drum 2, a temperature sensor 19, 20, 21, and a rinsing device 12, wherein: (a) the temperature sensor 19, 20, 21 measures a temperature value  $T_{app}$  in the process air circuit 4 or the heat pump circuit 8,9,10,11 which are indicative of a temperature of the refrigerant in the heat pump circuit 8,9,10,11; and (b) the rinsing device 12 flushes the evaporator 9 with an aqueous liquid 15 when the temperature  $T_{app}$  reaches or exceeds an upper temperature limit  $T_{max}$  set .

IPC 8 full level

**D06F 58/20** (2006.01); **D06F 25/00** (2006.01); **D06F 33/69** (2020.01); **D06F 58/22** (2006.01); **D06F 58/38** (2020.01)

CPC (source: CN EP US)

**D06F 25/00** (2013.01 - CN EP US); **D06F 33/69** (2020.02 - CN EP US); **D06F 58/206** (2013.01 - CN EP US); **D06F 58/22** (2013.01 - CN EP US); **D06F 58/38** (2020.02 - CN EP US); **D06F 2103/08** (2020.02 - EP US); **D06F 2103/32** (2020.02 - CN EP US); **D06F 2103/36** (2020.02 - EP US); **D06F 2103/50** (2020.02 - CN EP US); **D06F 2105/24** (2020.02 - EP US); **D06F 2105/26** (2020.02 - CN EP US)

Citation (applicant)

- CN 200610153406 A 20060914
- CN 200710005537 A 20070212
- CN 200710003005 A 20070129
- EP 2037035 A1 20090318 - BSH BOSCH SIEMENS HAUSGERAETE [DE]

Citation (search report)

- [X] WO 2011154252 A1 20111215 - BSH BOSCH SIEMENS HAUSGERAETE [DE], et al
- [A] US 2011277334 A1 20111117 - LEE YONGJU [KR], et al

Cited by

EP3023534A1; CN108385337A; CN114753130A; EP4310241A3; EP3135802A1; EP3241944A1; US10502478B2; WO2019214807A1; WO2020108918A1; US10738411B2; US11542653B2; DE102014013045A1; US10087569B2; US10633785B2; WO2021164863A1; US10514194B2; US10718082B2; US10823479B2; US10519591B2; US11299834B2

Designated contracting state (EPC)

AL AT BE BG CH CY CZ DE DK EE ES FI FR GB GR HR HU IE IS IT LI LT LU LV MC MK MT NL NO PL PT RO RS SE SI SK SM TR

Designated extension state (EPC)

BA ME

DOCDB simple family (publication)

**EP 2746455 A1 20140625**; CN 103882654 A 20140625

DOCDB simple family (application)

**EP 12198525 A 20121220**; CN 201310704020 A 20131219