

Title (en)

SOLAR-POWERED DEVICE EMPLOYING A POWER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND METHOD

Title (de)

SOLARBETRIEBENE VORRICHTUNG MIT EINEM ENERGIEVERWALTUNGSSYSTEM UND VERFAHREN

Title (fr)

DISPOSITIF À ÉNERGIE SOLAIRE UTILISANT UN SYSTÈME ET UN PROCÉDÉ DE GESTION D'ÉNERGIE

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Abstract (en)

[origin: EP4064507A1] A solar-powered device (1) employing a power management system (50) and method is disclosed. The device (1) comprises: an array (10) of one or more solar cells (12) for converting ambient light into a solar source voltage ( $V_{src}$ ); an energy storage device, such as a secondary battery (20); a load (30) that is powered when the device (1) operates; and a power management system (50) for receiving and monitoring the solar source voltage ( $V_{src}$ ) to harvest energy therefrom, the power management system (50) generating a load voltage ( $V_{load}$ ) to power the load (30) and a storage voltage ( $V_{bat}$ ) to charge the energy storage device (20). While the device (1) operates and when the solar source voltage ( $V_{src}$ ) is above a first threshold voltage ( $V_{th1}$ ), the power management system (50) is configured to operate in an active supply (A) mode in which the system (50) continually monitors the solar source voltage ( $V_{src}$ ), and while the device (1) operates and when the solar source voltage ( $V_{src}$ ) is below the first threshold voltage ( $V_{th1}$ ), the power management system (50) is configured to operate in at least one low-power (LS1, LS2, DS) mode in which the system (50) does not monitor the solar source voltage ( $V_{src}$ ), only monitors the solar source voltage ( $V_{src}$ ) when one or more conditions are met, or monitors the solar source voltage ( $V_{src}$ ) at a reduced rate in comparison to the continual monitoring in the active supply mode.

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