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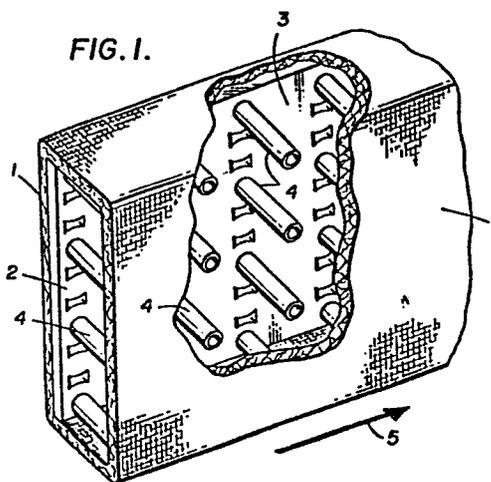
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(64) **Elongated bendable drainage mat.**

(57) Elongated, bendable drainage mat having a rectangular transverse cross section and comprising a polymeric core (2) having a plurality of substantially rigid fingers (4) extending from one side of a layer (3) and an enveloping water permeable fabric (1) having a permittivity from 0.2 seconds⁻¹

to 2.0 seconds⁻¹ and a dynamic permeability after 10⁶ loadings of at least 10⁻⁴ centimeters per second.

Apparatus and systems using such drainage mat.





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- No claims fees have been paid within the prescribed time limit. The present European search report has been drawn up for the first ten claims.

LACK OF UNITY OF INVENTION

The Search Division considers that the present European patent application does not comply with the requirement of unity of invention and relates to several inventions or groups of inventions,

namely:

- 1) Claim 1
- 2) Claims 2, 5-23
- 3) Claims 3,4: eventually combined with 5-14.

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