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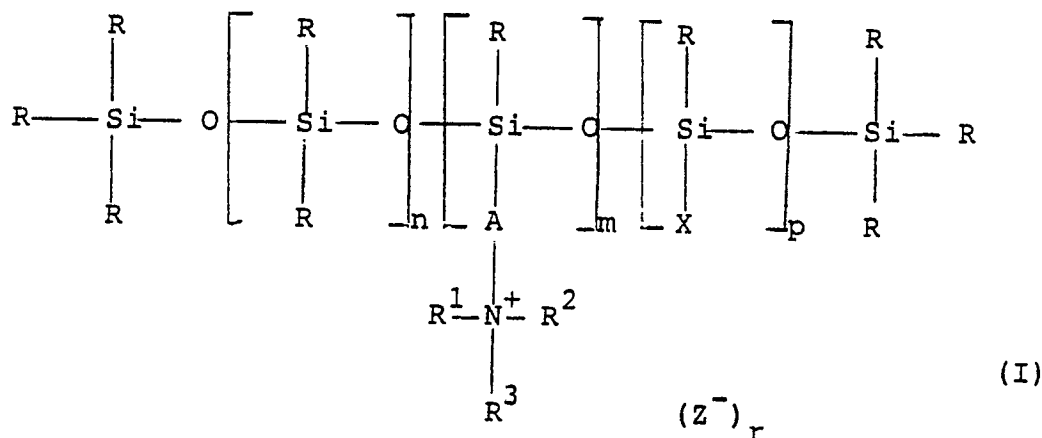
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**NL-3130 AC Vlaardingen(NL)**(54) **Method of conditioning fabrics.**

(57) A method of conditioning fabrics comprises contacting the fabrics in an aqueous environment with a fabric conditioning agent. The fabric conditioning agent comprises an organofunctional polyalkyl siloxane having the general formula (I)



wherein each R is independently an alkyl group containing 1 to 4 carbon atoms, each of R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, and R<sup>3</sup> is independently an alkyl group containing 1 to 24 carbon atoms, or R<sup>3</sup> is the group (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>q</sub>COO<sup>-</sup> where q is 0 to 10, A is divalent hydrocarbon group interrupted by or substituted with one or more oxygen containing groups, X is an alkoxyated group, Z is a monovalent anion or the equivalent thereof, n and m are positive integers, p is a positive integer and r is a positive integer or zero such as to render the siloxane electrically neutral.

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