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(54) **Pretreated substrate for slide bead coating.**

(57) An apparatus and method for stabilizing slide coating bead edges in which a pair of liquid stripes is applied in advance of the coating bead. Each stripe is positioned to coalesce with a respective edge of the subsequent slide coating bead. Slide bead coating is employed in the manufacture of single- and multi-layered elements such as photographic film.

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