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(54) **Retail security system**

(57) A security system for use in a retail environment, employs a number of tags attached to retail goods. The tags are deactivated when the goods are paid for. At least one electronic article surveillance (EAS) detector, positioned for example at a store exit,

detects passage of active tags. When an active tag is detected, a signal is sent to a control computer, which triggers an image recording device, such as a CCTV camera attached to a video recorder. The recording device thus records a picture of any person who may be removing goods from the store without paying.

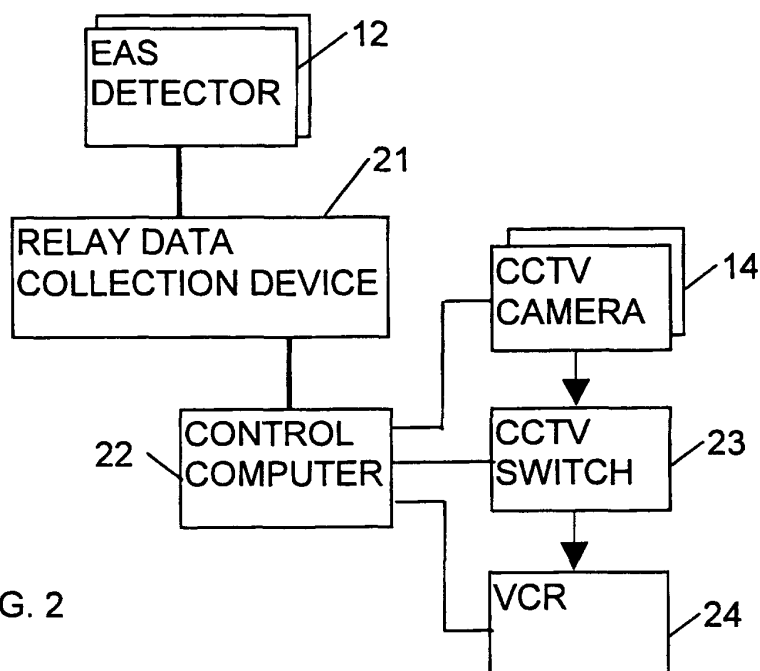


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