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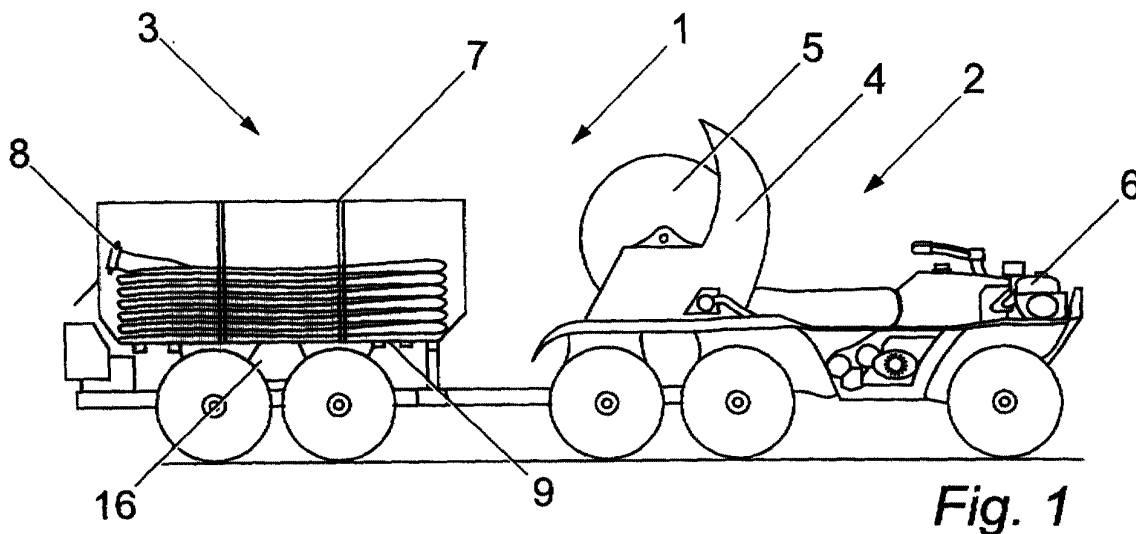
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(54) **Rapid hose delivery apparatus**

(57) A rapid hose delivery apparatus comprising an all-terrain vehicle and a hose deployment means is described. The all-terrain vehicle generally has four or more wheel drive, and preferably a low ground pressure. One such vehicle is a quad motorbike.

The apparatus is able to deploy 'in one go' hundreds if not 1000 or more meters of hose over any terrain. Such apparatus could be used for deployment of fire hose for supplying water across inaccessible terrain.

The apparatus may further include hose retrieval means for retrieving the hose after use.



**Fig. 1**



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