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(57) A load-bearing cover (C) for an access hole comprises a plurality of plates (1) joined in side-by-side relation, each plate (1) comprises a generally planar body, each plate (1) having at one side a tongue extension in the form of a depending post (3) from a side of which extends a generally horizontal ledge (4) below and

parallel to the plate body (1), the plate (1) having at the opposite side an extension (5) projecting beyond the plate (1), the extension (5) depending from the plate (1) and having a groove portion (S1) shaped and dimensioned to receive and engage the tongue (4) of the neighbouring plate (1).

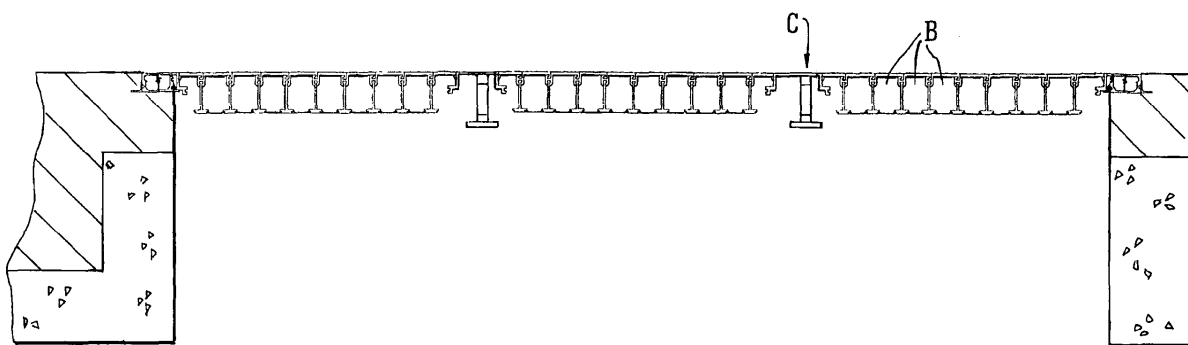


FIG. 1

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