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(54) **Reclosable stand-up package and method of manufacturing same**

(57) A method of manufacturing is provided for a reclosable, free standing package (10) adapted to be self-supporting in an upright position when resting on a horizontal support surface. The method includes the steps of providing a bottom panel (16) in the form of a stand-up web (74) having a planar base (76) and a pair of legs (78,80) depending from opposite sides of the base; in-

serting the stand-up web between a first film panel (58) and a second film panel (60); and creating spaced apart bottom edges of the package by sealing a lower end of the first film panel to one of the legs, and a lower end of the second film panel to the other of the legs such that an entire surface of the base lies substantially parallel to a plane containing the bottom edges.

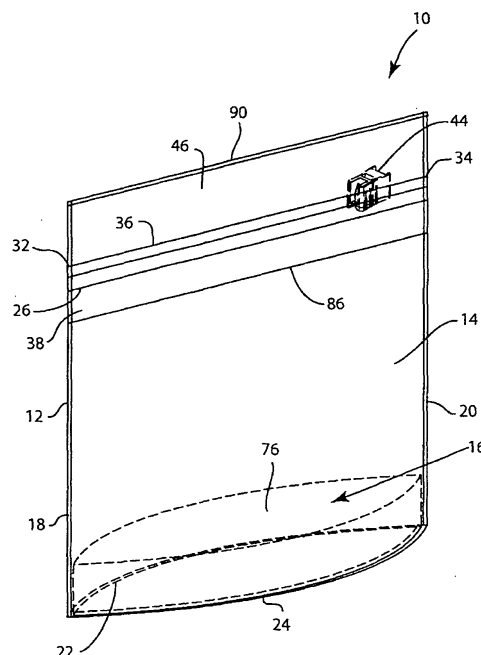


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