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(54) **A method and apparatus for making nautical mooring lines emerge from a sea-floor**

(57) An apparatus for making nautical mooring lines (8) emerge from a sea-floor comprises:  
(8) emerge from a sea-floor comprises:  
- an element (11) connected to at least one mooring line (8) lying on the sea-bottom and connected directly or indirectly to a sinker (7), said element (11) being so shaped as to retain air blown into it;  
- means (4) for blowing air into the element (11) in such a way as to cause it temporarily to surface.

The method provides for blowing air into an element (11) connected to at least one line (8) lying on the sea-bottom in such a way as to cause it temporarily to surface.

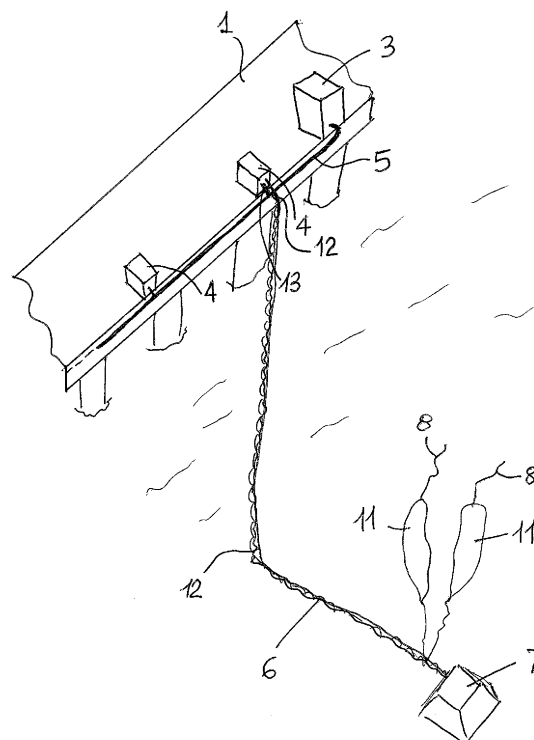


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