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(54) **Boundary box with locking mechanism for cover**

(57) A surface box (8) is used for flush installation in a street, pavement, floor or open terrain to hide underground installed elements in such a way that these elements remain accessible. The surface box comprises a bottomless casing (10) having an internal cavity (15). The

casing is provided with a lid (30) closing said cavity (10) at an upper side thereof. Said lid is preferably formed of plastic and is provided with means (40,52,72) which hold said lid in place.

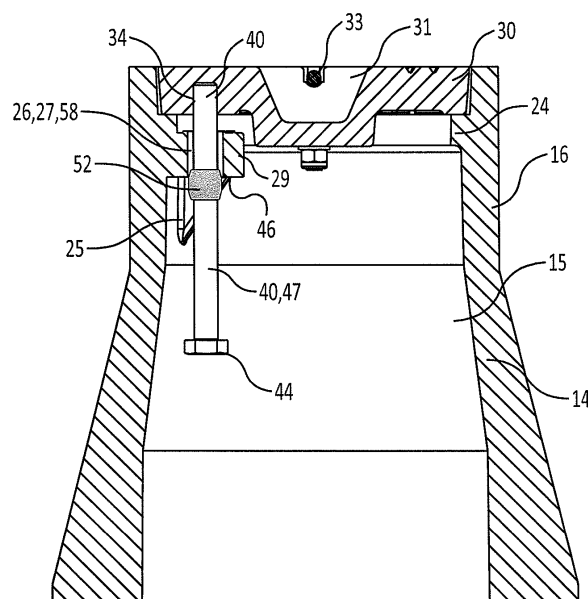


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