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(54) **A hybrid antenna system for a portable wireless communication device**

(57) A hybrid antenna system for a portable Wireless Communication Device (WCD) includes a concealed, internal shielded substrate antenna fixedly mounted to and wholly internally within a casing of the portable WCD. The hybrid antenna system also includes a displaceable antenna, such as a whip antenna, that is selectively extendable from and retractable within the casing. The antenna system includes a mechanism for electrically connecting the displaceable antenna to internal RF circuitry of the portable WCD when the displaceable antenna is in an extended position and for electrically isolating the displaceable antenna from the internal RF circuitry when the displaceable antenna is in a retracted position within the casing.

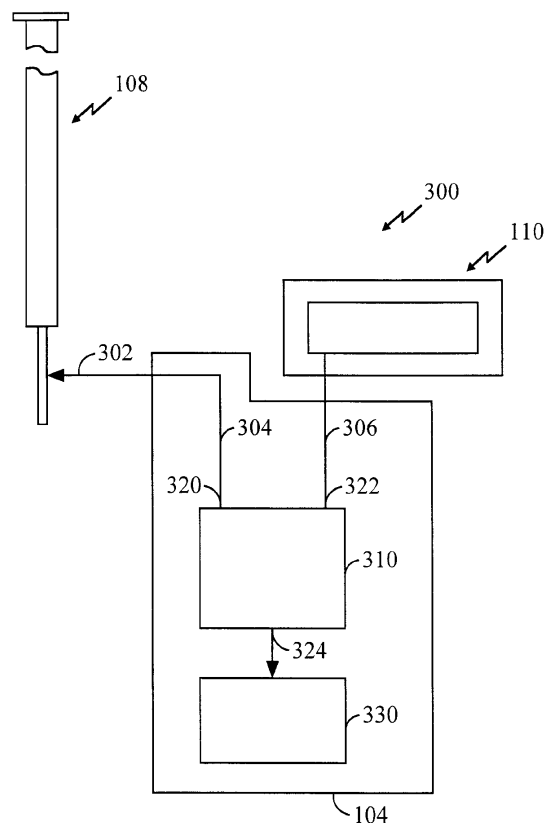


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