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(54) **Apparatus and Method for Operating M2M Devices**

(57) A method for operating a machine-to-machine (M2M) device communicating with a gateway includes determining, by the gateway, a timing parameter for syn-

chronizing the machine-to-machine device with the gateway; inserting the timing parameter into a control signal; and transmitting the control signal from the gateway to the machine-to-machine device.

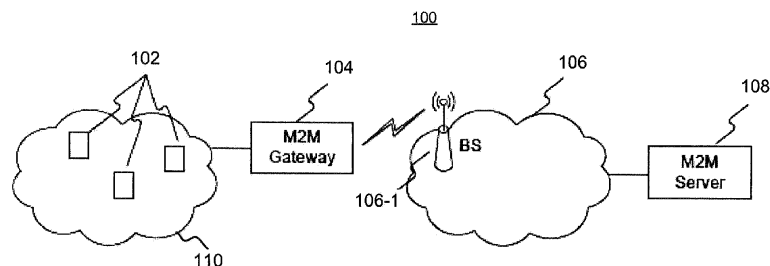


FIG. 1