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(54) **An access tower and advanced guard rail**

(57) An access tower (1) comprising:
two end frames (2), each comprising a pair of generally
vertical stiles (4) connected by a plurality of generally
horizontal rungs (5), the rungs (5) of an end frame (2)
being vertically distributed by a distance X,
at least one advanced guard rail (12) arranged between
the two end frames (2), the advanced guard rail (12) hav-
ing a frame including a plurality of horizontal members
(13-16) vertically distributed by said distance X, the ad-
vanced guard rail further having a hook (19) provided at
each respective corner of the frame, each hook (19) re-
ceiving a respective rung of (5) a respective end frame
(2),
wherein the at least one advanced guard rail (12) is ar-
ranged between the end frames (2) such that the hori-
zontal members (13-16) of the advanced guard rail are
substantially aligned with the rungs (5) of the adjacent
end frames (2).

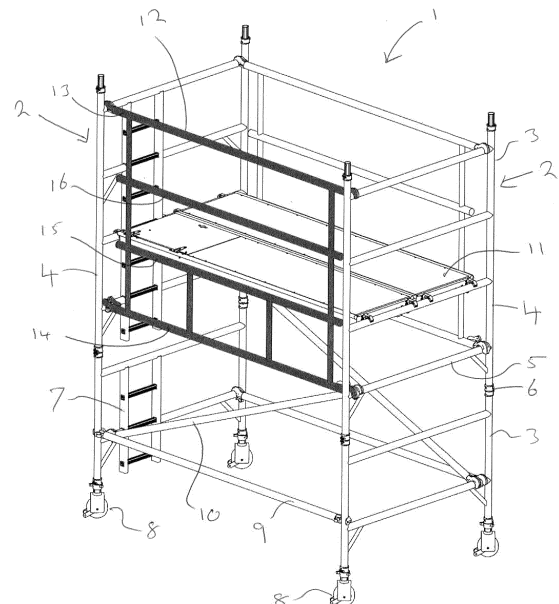


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