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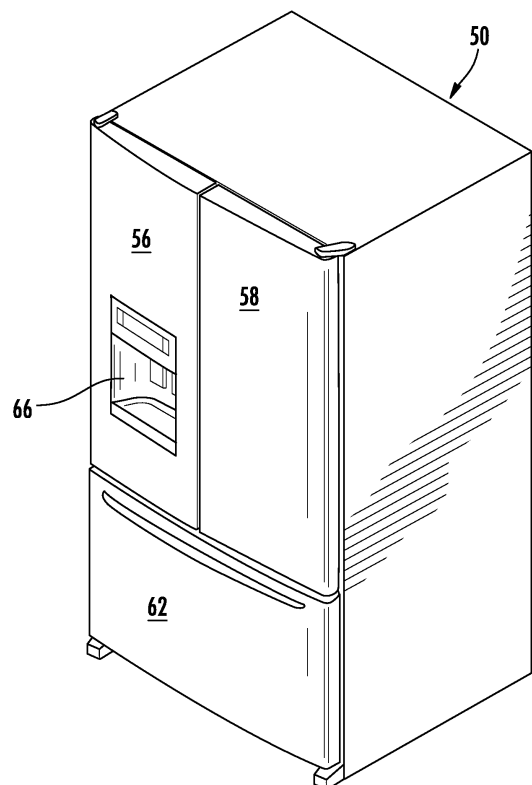
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(54) **Clear ice maker and method for forming clear ice**

(57) An ice maker, including sensors (444) to measure usage parameters and transmit the same to a controller (440). The controller is operably connected to a plurality of ice forming systems, and directs the systems to operate in a high energy mode or a low energy mode, based on the usage parameter. The usage parameters may include an ice level (98), a change in the ice level over time, the amount of time that a dispenser is actuated, the time of day, or historical usage patterns. The ice forming systems (52) may include one or more of a thermo-electric device coupled to a bottom surface of an ice forming plate, a forced air system to circulate cold air, a forced air system to circulate warm air, and a temperature control system to maintain a temperature gradient between a first chamber above the ice forming plate and a second chamber below the ice forming plate.



**FIG. 1**



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