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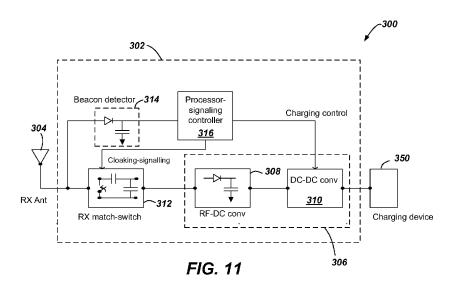
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(54) Title: WIRELESS POWER TRANSFER FOR APPLIANCES AND EQUIPMENTS



(57) Abstract: Exemplary embodiments are directed to wireless power transfer. A transmitting device or a receiving device for use in a wireless transfer system may be equipment or a household appliance. The transmitting device includes a transmit antenna to wirelessly transfer power to a receive antenna by generating a near field radiation within a coupling-mode region. An amplifier applies an RF signal to the transmit antenna. A presence detector detects a presence of a receiver device within the coupling-mode region. A controller adjusts a power output of the amplifier responsive to the presence of a receiver device. The presence detector may also detect a human presence. The power output may be adjusted at or below the regulatory level when the presence signal indicates human absence.



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1. claims: 1,3-9,11-13,15-17,19-21,23,24

Detect presence of other near field devices and adjust power output accordingly.

2. claims: 2,10,14,18,22

Detect presence of human body in vicinity of transmitting device and adjust transmission power above/below regulatory level accordingly.

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