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GLOW FISH TAPE SYSTEM

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

[0001] None

BACKGROUND OF THE DISCLOSURE

[0002] The present disclosure relates fish tapes that are deployed from a case that stores the fish tape when the fish tape is not in use. Most current fish tapes of this type utilize a case that deploys the fish tape from an annular slot, typically in an outer perimeter of the case, with at least a portion of the fish tape being retained in the case during use. Fish tapes are typically made of nylon, fiberglass, nylon jacketed fiberglass, or a suitable metal, such as stainless steel or tempered spring steel or multi-stranded steel wire, with the fish tape having sufficient stiffness to be pushed through a conduit or other enclosed space while being sufficiently flexible to flex around bends or corners in the conduit or other enclosed space. Fish tapes are provided in a variety of sizes and lengths, with the commercially available lengths typically being provided in the range of 20 feet to 240 feet.

[0003] Such fish tapes are used to pull electrical wires and fiber optic cables through conduit or into enclosed wall space and there are commercially available light emitting tips that can be connected to the end of the fish tape to improve the ability of a user to see the fish tape as it is moving near an opening through which a user wishes to pull electrical wire or fiber optic cable. While such fish tapes, cases and tips work well for their intended purpose, there is always room for improvement. For example, the light emitting tips are not as effective if the tip has already moved past the opening through which a user wants to pull the electrical wire or fiber optic cable.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE DISCLOSURE

[0004] In accordance with one feature of this disclosure, a fish tape system includes a fish tape and a donut shaped case. The fish tape has a length extending from a first

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end to a second end, and the length of the fish tape includes a luminescent material that emits light after being energized by exposure to a light source. The donut shaped case has a pair of sidewalls extending between a radially innermost wall and a radially outermost wall. The sidewalls are spaced from each other to define a fish tape storage compartment that stores the length of fish tape for deployment via the annular opening in the case. The case further includes an annular opening extending around a circumference of one of the inner and outer walls. At least a portion of the case is transparent to allow the luminescent material to be energized by light passing through the portion.

[0005] As one feature, the outermost wall has the annular opening extending around a circumference of the outer wall, and at least one of the sidewalls of the case is transparent to allow the luminescent material to be energized by light passing through the at least one of the sidewalls.

[0006] In one feature, both of the sidewalls of the case are transparent to allow the luminescent material to be energized by light passing through the sidewalls.

[0007] According to one feature, at least one of the innermost and outermost walls is transparent to allow the luminescent material to be energized by light passing through the sidewalls.

[0008] As one feature, one of the sidewalls and portions of the innermost and outermost walls are defined by a first component of the case, and the other of the sidewalls and other portions of the innermost and outermost walls are defined by a second component of the case. The first and second components are assembled together to form the storage compartment. In a further feature, at least one of the first and second components includes a transparent material. In yet a further feature, both of the first and second components includes a transparent material.

[0009] In one feature, the fish tape system further includes a handle engaged with the case for sliding movement along a circumference of one of the inner and outer walls, the handle engageable with the fish tape to deploy the fish tape from the storage compartment and to reload the fish tape into the compartment.

[0010] According to one feature, the fish tape system further includes a handle engaged with the case for sliding movement along a circumference of the outer wall. The handle is engageable with the fish tape to deploy the fish tape from the storage compartment and to reload the fish tape into the compartment.

[0011] As one feature, the fish tape further includes a threaded opening in at least one of the first and second ends.

[0012] In one feature, at least a portion of at least one of the sidewalls of the case is transparent to allow the luminescent material to be energized by light passing through the at least one of the sidewalls.

[0013] According to one feature, at least portions of both of the sidewalls of the case are transparent to allow the luminescent material to be energized by light passing through the sidewalls.

[0014] As one feature, at least portions of all the walls of the case are transparent.

[0015] In accordance with one feature, a fish tape system includes a fish tape and a case. The fish tape has a length extending from a first end to a second end, and the length of the fish tape includes a luminescent material that emits light after being energized by exposure to a light source. The case has a fish tape storage compartment that stores the length of fish tape for deployment and reloading via an opening in the case. At least a portion of the case is transparent to allow the luminescent material to be energized by light passing through the portion and into the storage compartment.

[0016] As one feature, the storage compartment has an annular shape bounded by a pair of spaced sidewalls. According to further feature, at least a portion of at least one of the sidewalls is transparent. In yet a further feature, portions of both of the sidewalls are transparent.

[0017] In one feature, the case includes a pair of components that are joined to each other to define the storage compartment, and at least one of the pair of components includes a transparent material.

[0018] It should be understood that the inventive concepts disclosed herein do not require each of the features discussed above, may include any combination of the features discussed, and may include features not specifically discussed above.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE SEVERAL VIEWS OF THE DRAWINGS

- [0019]** Fig. 1 is a view is a perspective view from above and to the left of a fish tape system according to this disclosure;
- [0020]** Fig. 2 is a plan view of a fish tape of the fish tape system shown in Fig.1, with the fish tape removed from a case of the system and with a portion of the fish tape broken away for purposes of illustration;
- [0021]** Fig. 3 is a left side elevation view of the fish tape system of Fig. 1;
- [0022]** Fig. 4 is a right side elevation view of the fish tape system of Figs. 1 and 3;
- [0023]** Fig. 5, is a view taken from line 5-5 in Fig. 3;
- [0024]** Figs. 6A and 6B are enlarged views taken from line 6-6 in Fig.2 and show alternate embodiments of the fish tape shown in Fig. 2; and
- [0025]** Fig. 7 is an enlarged perspective view showing an end configuration for a fish tape according to this disclosure.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

- [0026]** As seen in Figs. 1-5, a fish tape system 10 is provided and includes a fish tape 12 and a case 14. As best seen in Fig. 2, the fish tape 12 has a length 16 extending from a first end 18 to a second end 20. The length 16 includes a luminescent material 22 that emits light after being energized by exposure to a light source 24, such as the sun or a light emitting element. The case 14 has a fish tape storage compartment 26 that stores the fish tape 12 for deployment via an opening 28 in the case 14. At least a portion of the case 14 is transparent to allow the luminescent material 22 to be energized by light passing through the transparent portion and into the storage compartment 26.
- [0027]** In the illustrated embodiment, the case 14 is donut shaped and includes a pair of sidewalls 32 (best seen in Fig. 5) extending between a radially innermost wall 34 and a radially outermost wall 36. The wall 36 includes the opening 28 in the form of an annular opening 28 extending around the entire circumference of the wall 36. The

sidewalls 32 are spaced from each other, and in combination with inwardly facing annular surfaces 38 and 40 of the walls 34 and 36, respectively, define the storage compartment 26 with an annular shape. As best seen in Figs. 1 and 5, the illustrated and preferred case 14 is an assembly of two, half-case components 44 and 46 that are joined to each other using threaded fasteners 48. Each of the components 44 and 46 define one of the sidewalls 32 and approximately one-half of each of the walls 34 and 36 and are preferably molded using a suitable process, such as injection molding. The annular opening 28 is defined between each portion of the wall 36 defined by each of the components 44 and 46. Such constructions for donut shaped fish tape cases are well known, with a few examples of such commercially cases being offered by Ideal Electronics under model numbers 31-542, 31-056, and 31-064; by Gardner Bender under model numbers FTS-125R, FTS-250R, and FTS-50B; and Klein Tools under model numbers 56001, 56014, 56002, and 56005.

[0028] In the illustrated and highly preferred embodiment, the walls 32, 34 and 36 are all transparent to allow the luminescent material 22 to be energized by light passing into the compartment 26 through the wall 32, 34, and 36. In this regard, the components 44 and 46 can be molded from any suitable material, such a suitable polymeric/plastic/composite material. Non-limiting examples of suitable materials include: polycarbonate, polypropylene, and Acrylonitrile butadiene styrene (ABS).

[0029] The illustrated and preferred embodiment of the system 10 also includes a winding handle 50 that is mounted to slide within the annular opening 28 around the entire circumference of the wall 36. The handle 50 includes a grip 52 and a hoop or ring 54. As best seen in Fig. 5, the ring 54 has oppositely facing annular ribs 56, with each rib received in a corresponding annular channel in a corresponding one of the half-case components 44 and 46 for guided, sliding movement around the entire circumference of the wall 36. As best seen in Fig. 3, the grip 52 includes a tape guide portion 58 having a linear slot 60 that receives and guides the fish tape 12 as it is deployed from and wound into the compartment 26 via an opening 62 that extends through the ring 54. The features 52, 54, 56, 58, 60 and 62 are well known and employed in commercially available fish tape systems.

[0030] It is highly preferred that system 10 be configured to allow the fish tape 12 to be easily removed from the case 14 for use and then rewound into the case 14 after use. In the illustrated and novel embodiment, this is achieved by sizing the slot 60 and opening 62 to allow the end 20 to be readily removed from the case 14 and reinserted into the case 14, by providing an opening 64 in the wall 34 that allows the end 20 to readily pass through the wall 34, and by providing the case 14 with an anchor slot 66 that provide a snap-fit with the end 20 to allow the end 20 to be releasably retained in the slot 66. In the illustrated embodiment, the slot 66 is defined in a boss 68 that is formed as an integral, unitary part of the half-case component 46.

[0031] The length 16 of the fish tape 12 is formed from a structural member 70 that extends over the entire length 16. The structural member 70 can be a flexible strip of metal, a multi-strand metallic wire, or a cord or rope of nylon, fiberglass, or other flexible, high tensile strength material. The luminescent material 22 can be provided in any suitable form and preferably extends over the entire length 16, such as, for example, in the form of a luminescent coating that includes the material 20, such as a paint, on the structural member 70 that extends over the entire length 16 (shown in Fig. 2); a luminescent sheath/jacket that includes the material 20 and surrounds the structural member 70 extending over the entire length 16 (shown in Fig. 6A); or in the form as an integral component of the material that forms the structural member 70 (shown in Fig. 6B). Non-limiting examples of suitable materials for the luminescent material 22 include: strontium aluminate, zinc sulfide, or either of those materials blended with a base material, such as nylon, polyethylene, and/or polyethylene terephthalate (PET).

[0032] Each end 18 and 20 of the fish tape 12 may be provided in any suitable form and/or configuration, many of which are known, to allow or assist a user in the attachment of an electrical wire or optic cable or in the grasping of the fish tape 12 during a pulling or pushing operation. Non-limiting examples of suitable forms/configurations for the ends 18 and 20 include eyelet ends (shown in Figs. 1-4 for end 18), hook shaped ends, no-snag plastic tips, bullet ends, mini-eyelet ends, domed-eyelet ends, claw ends, male threaded connector ends, or female threaded connector

ends, all of which are well known in commercially available fish tape systems and fish rod systems. Figs. 1-4 and 7 shows an embodiment wherein the 20 has a threaded connector in the form of a female threaded opening 74.

[0033] Preferred embodiments of the inventive concepts are described herein, including the best mode known to the inventor(s) for carrying out the inventive concepts. Variations of those preferred embodiments will become apparent to those of ordinary skill in the art upon reading the foregoing description. The inventor(s) expect skilled artisans to employ such variations as appropriate, and the inventor(s) intend that the inventive concepts can be practiced otherwise than as specifically described herein. Accordingly, the inventive concepts disclosed herein include all modifications and equivalents of the subject matter recited in the claims appended hereto as permitted by applicable law. Moreover, any combination of the above-described elements and features in all possible variations thereof is encompassed by the inventive concepts unless otherwise indicated herein or otherwise clearly contradicted by context. Further in this regard, while highly preferred forms of the fish tape system 10 are shown in the figures, it should be understood that this disclosure anticipates variations in the specific details of each of the disclosed components and features of the fish tape system 10 and that no limitation to a specific form, configuration, or detail is intended unless expressly and specifically recited in an appended claim.

[0034] For example, while specific and preferred forms have been shown for the case 14, in some applications other forms and configurations for the case 14 may be employed. For example, in some applications it may be desirable for just one of the side walls 32 to be transparent, with the other side wall 32 and the other walls 34 and 36 being opaque. As another example, it may be desirable for just a portion of one of the walls 32, 34, and/or 36 to be transparent. As yet another example, while it is preferred for the annular opening 28 to be provided in the radially outermost wall, in some applications it may be desirable for the annular opening 28 to be provide in the radially innermost wall 34. As another example, while an annular opening 28 is preferred, in some applications a different opening configuration/shape may be desired. In another example, while the two half-case components 44 and 46 preferred, in some

embodiments it may be desirable to form the case 14 from a different configuration of components or a different number of components. Similarly, while the donut shape is a preferred form for the case 14, in some applications it may be desirable for the case 14 to have a different shape. As yet another example, while the disclosed configuration for the handle 50 is preferred, in some applications it may be desirable to utilize other configurations, many of which are known, for a winding handle. Similarly, in some applications it may be desirable for the system 10 to not have any type or configuration of winding handle. In a further example, while the opening 64, anchor slot 64 and boss 66 are preferred, in some application it may be desirable for these features to be eliminated and/or for replaced with other features to attach or anchor the end 20 in the case 14. In another example, while circular and rectangular cross sections have been shown for the fish tape 12, other cross sections may be desirable depending upon the specific application and/or material(s) used for the fish tape 12.

[0035] The use of the terms “a” and “an” and “the” and “at least one” and similar referents in the context of describing the invention (especially in the context of the following claims) are to be construed to cover both the singular and the plural, unless otherwise indicated herein or clearly contradicted by context. The use of the term “at least one” followed by a list of one or more items (for example, “at least one of A and B”) is to be construed to mean one item selected from the listed items (A or B) or any combination of two or more of the listed items (A and B), unless otherwise indicated herein or clearly contradicted by context. The terms “comprising,” “having,” “including,” and “containing” are to be construed as open-ended terms (i.e., meaning “including, but not limited to,”) unless otherwise noted. The use of any and all examples, or exemplary language (e.g., “such as”) provided herein, is intended merely to better illuminate the inventive concepts disclosed herein and does not pose a limitation on the scope of any invention unless expressly claimed. No language in the specification should be construed as indicating any non-claimed element as essential to the practice of the inventive concepts disclosed herein.

[0036] All references, including publications, patent applications, and patents, cited herein are hereby incorporated by reference to the same extent as if each reference

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CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A fish tape system comprising:
a fish tape having a length extending from a first end to a second end, the length of the fish tape comprising a luminescent material that emits light after being energized by exposure to a light source; and
a donut shaped case having a pair of sidewalls extending between a radially innermost wall and a radially outermost wall, the outermost wall having an annular opening extending around a circumference of the outer wall, the sidewalls being spaced from each other to define a fish tape storage compartment that stores the length of fish tape for deployment via the annular opening in the case;
wherein at least one of the sidewalls of the case is transparent to allow the luminescent material to be energized by light passing through the at least one of the sidewalls.
2. The fish tape system of claim 1 wherein both of the sidewalls of the case are transparent to allow the luminescent material to be energized by light passing through the sidewalls.
3. The fish tape system of claim 2 wherein at least one of the innermost and outermost walls is transparent to allow the luminescent material to be energized by light passing through the sidewalls.
4. The fish tape system of claim 1 wherein one of the sidewalls and portions of the innermost and outermost walls are defined by a first component of the case, and the other of the sidewalls and other portions of the innermost and outermost walls are defined by a second component of the case, the first and second components being assembled together to form the storage compartment.

5. The fish tape system of claim 1 further comprising a handle engaged with the case for sliding movement along the circumference of the outer wall, the handle engageable with the fish tape to deploy the fish tape from the storage compartment and to reload the fish tape into the compartment.
6. The fish tape system of claim 1 wherein the fish tape further comprises a threaded opening in at least one of the first and second ends.
7. A fish tape system comprising:
 - a fish tape having a length extending from a first end to a second end, the length of the fish tape comprising a luminescent material that emits light after being energized by exposure to a light source; and
 - a donut shaped case having a pair of sidewalls extending between a radially innermost wall and a radially outermost wall, an annular opening extending around a circumference of one of the inner and outer walls, the sidewalls being spaced from each other to define a fish tape storage compartment that stores the length of fish tape for deployment via the annular opening in the case;
 - wherein at least a portion of the case is transparent to allow the luminescent material to be energized by light passing through the portion.
8. The fish tape system of claim 7 wherein at least a portion of at least one of the sidewalls of the case is transparent to allow the luminescent material to be energized by light passing through the at least one of the sidewalls.
9. The fish tape system of claim 7 wherein at least portions of both of the sidewalls of the case are transparent to allow the luminescent material to be energized by light passing through the sidewalls.
10. The fish tape system of claim 7 wherein at least portions of all the walls of the case are transparent.

11. The fish tape system of claim 7 wherein one of the sidewalls and portions of the innermost and outermost walls are defined by a first component of the case, and the other of the sidewalls and other portions of the innermost and outermost walls are defined by a second component of the case, the first and second components being assembled together to form the storage compartment.

12. The fish tape system of claim 11 wherein at least one of the first and second components comprises a transparent material.

13. The fish tape system of claim 11 wherein both of the first and second components comprises a transparent material.

14. The fish tape system of claim 7 further comprising a handle engaged with the case for sliding movement along a circumference of one of the inner and outer walls, the handle engageable with the fish tape to deploy the fish tape from the storage compartment and to reload the fish tape into the compartment.

15. The fish tape system of claim 7 wherein the fish tape further comprises a threaded opening in at least one of the first and second ends.

16. A fish tape system comprising:

- a fish tape having a length extending from a first end to a second end, the length of the fish tape comprising a luminescent material that emits light after being energized by exposure to a light source; and

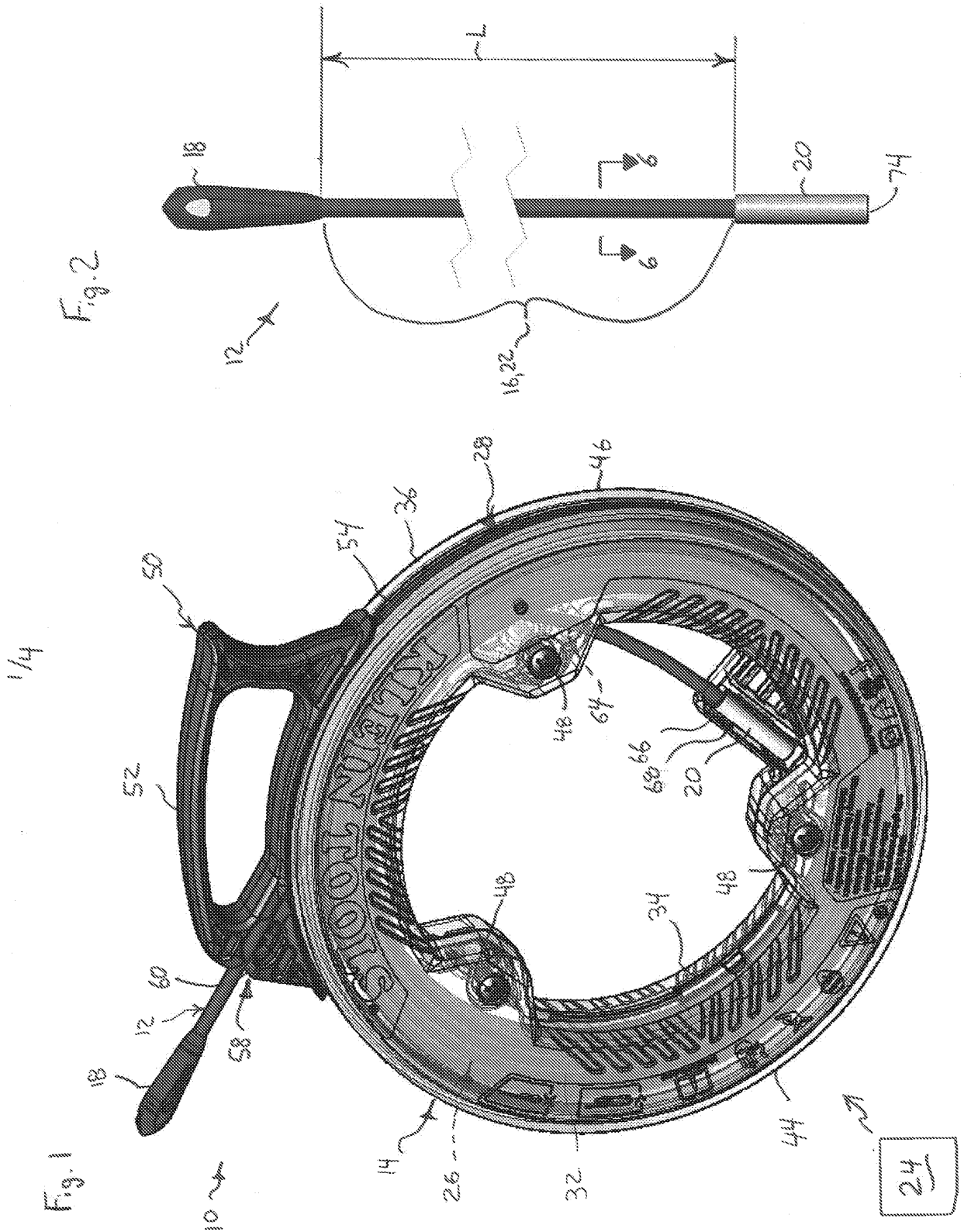
- a case having a fish tape storage compartment that stores the length of fish tape for deployment and reloading via an opening in the case;

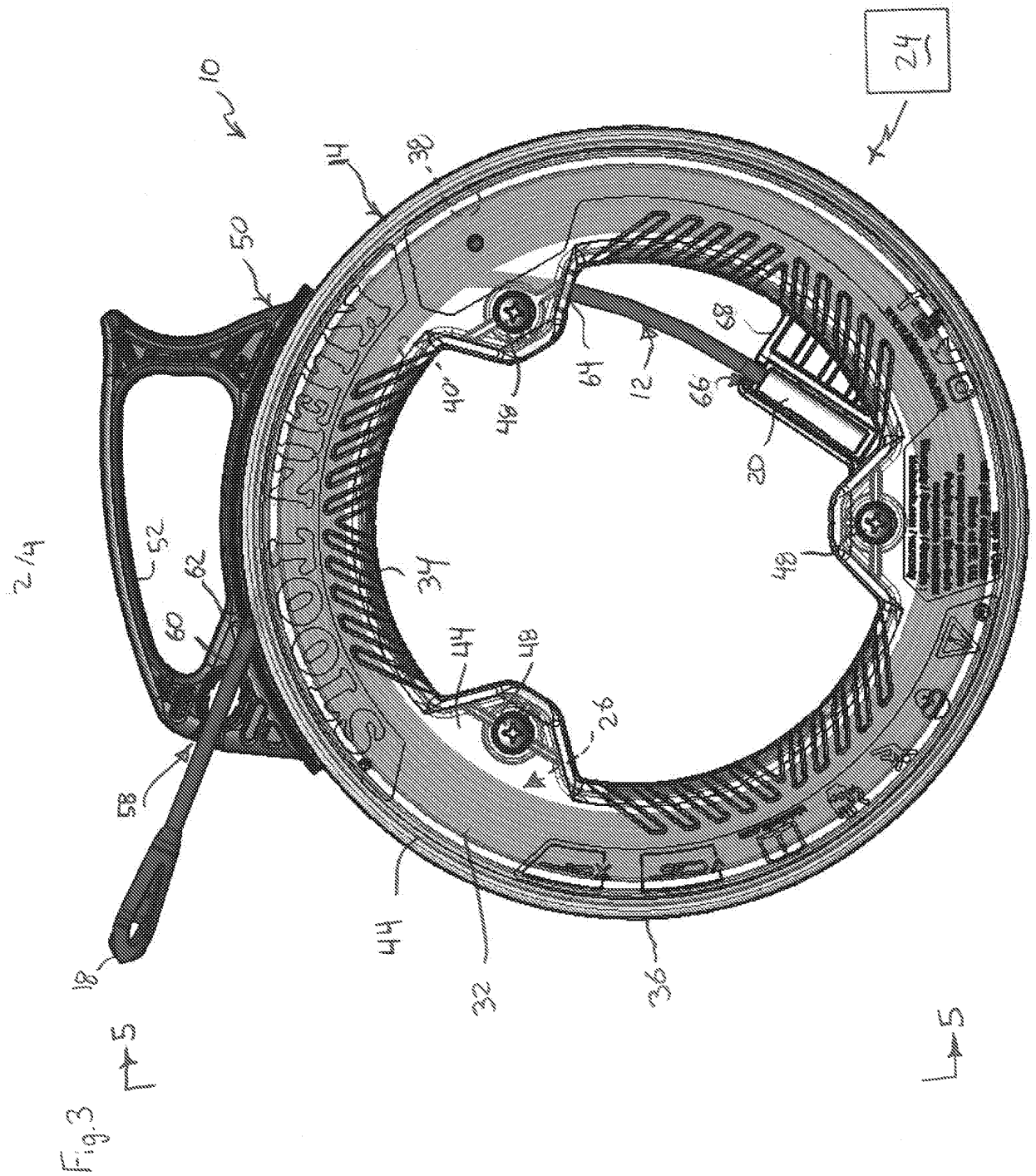
- wherein at least a portion of the case is transparent to allow the luminescent material to be energized by light passing through the portion and into the storage compartment.

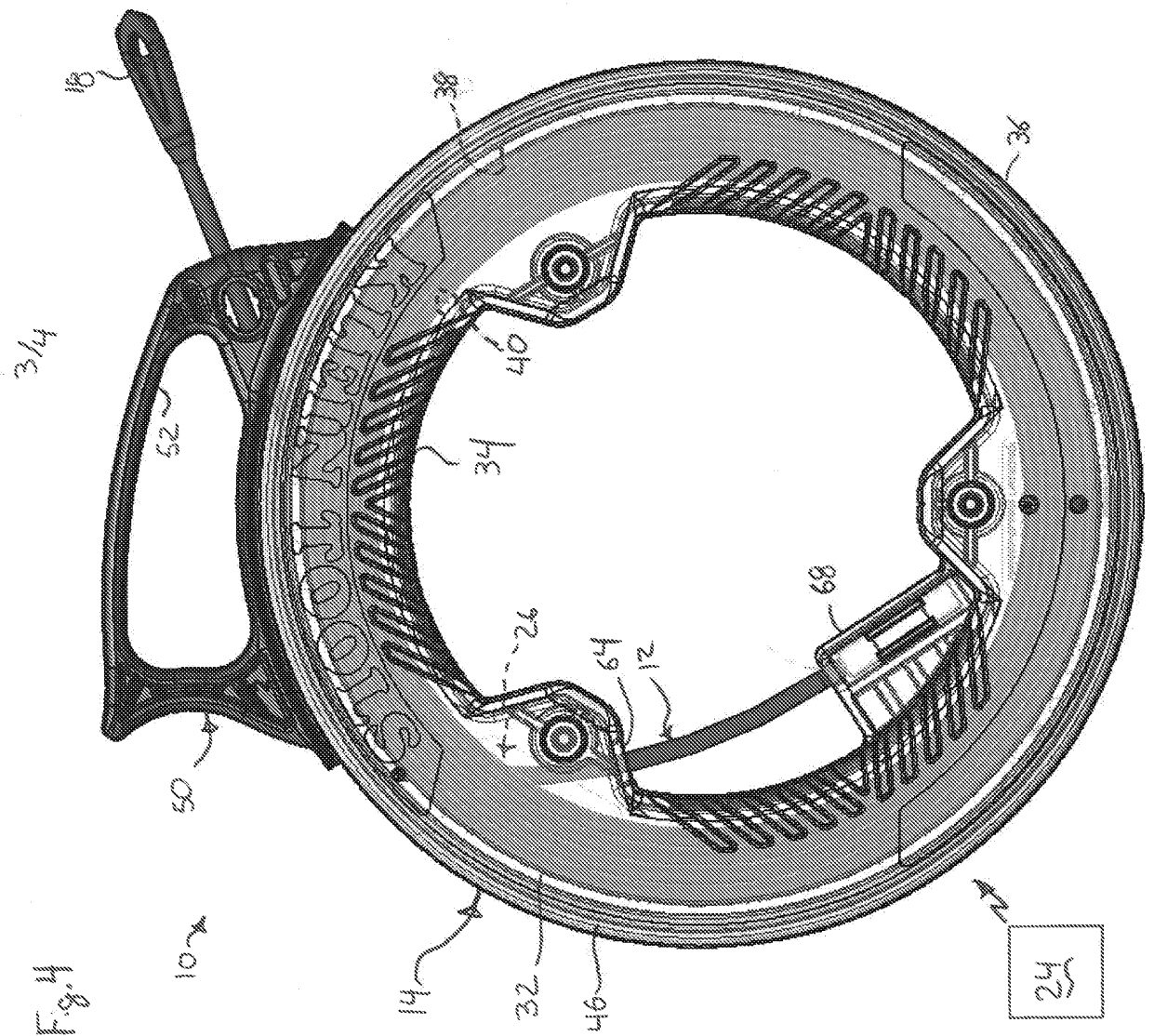
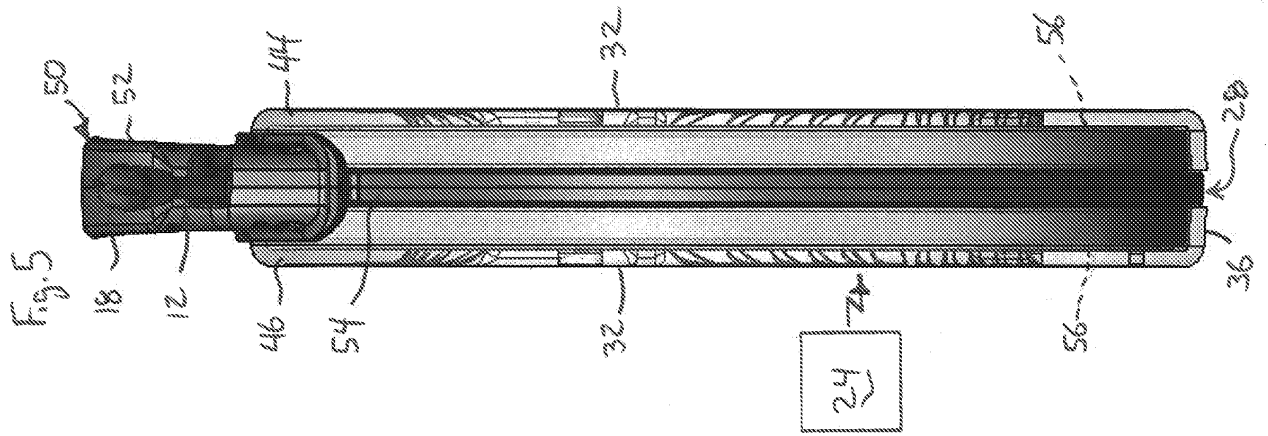
17. The fish tape system of claim 16 wherein the storage compartment has an annular shape bounded by a pair of spaced sidewalls.
18. The fish tape system of claim 17 wherein at least a portion of at least one of the sidewalls is transparent.
19. The fish tape system of claim 18 wherein portions of both of the sidewalls are transparent.
20. The fish tape system of claim 16 wherein the case comprises a pair of components that are joined to each other to define the storage compartment, and at least one of the pair of components comprises a transparent material.

ABSTRACT

A fish tape system includes a fish tape and a case having a storage compartment that stores the fish tape for deployment from the case. The fish tape has a length extending from a first end to a second end. The length includes a luminescent material that emits light after being energized by exposure to a light source. At least a portion of the case is transparent to allow the luminescent material 22 to be energized by light passing through the transparent portion and into the storage compartment.







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Fig. 7

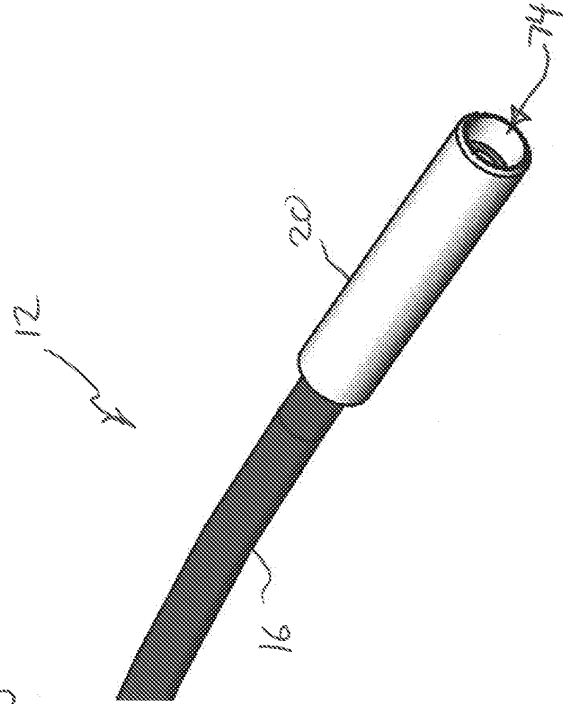


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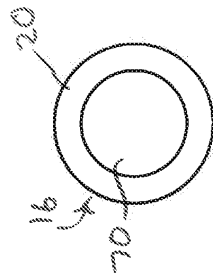
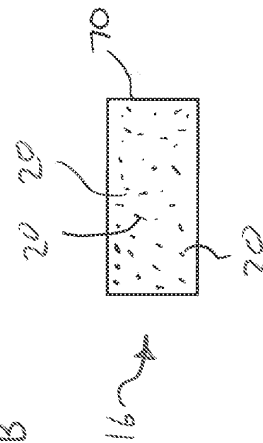


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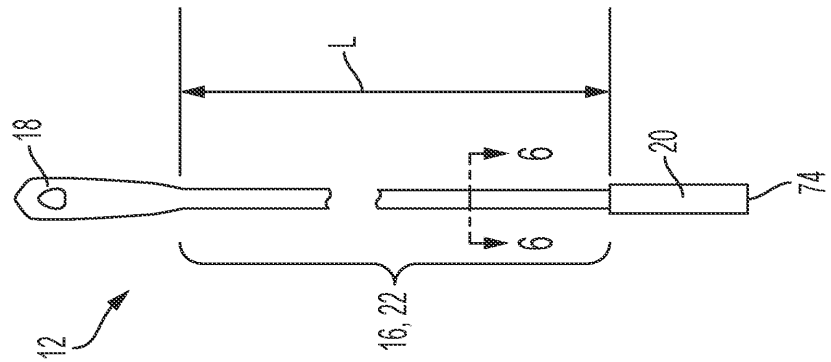


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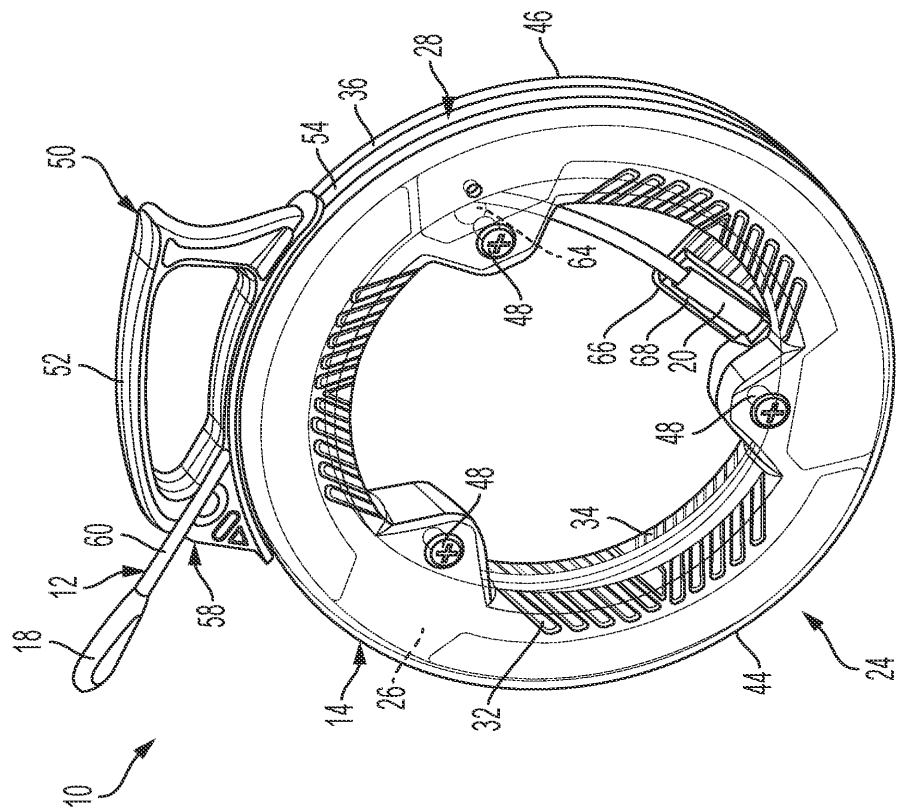


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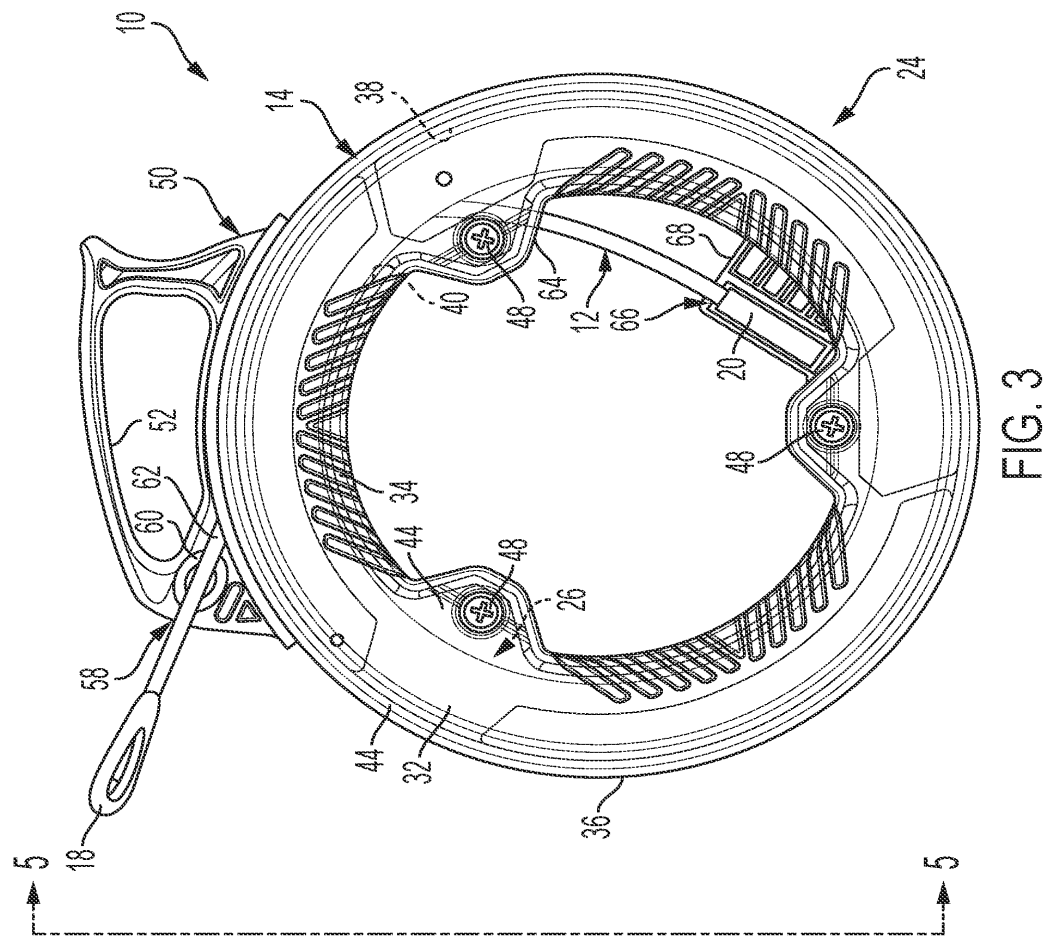


FIG. 3

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FIG. 4 is a cross-sectional view of a replacement sheet assembly 10. The assembly includes a handle 18, a body 12, and a replacement sheet 24. The handle 18 is connected to the body 12 via a hinge 50. The body 12 is connected to the replacement sheet 24 via a hinge 52. The replacement sheet 24 is shown in a partially open position, revealing a series of teeth 34 and a spring 38. The teeth 34 are arranged in a curved pattern, and the spring 38 is located between the teeth 34 and the body 12. The replacement sheet 24 is also shown in a closed position, where it is flush with the body 12. The replacement sheet 24 is made of a material that is flexible and resilient, allowing it to be bent and then return to its original shape. The replacement sheet 24 is also shown in a partially open position, where it is bent and the teeth 34 are engaged with the body 12. The replacement sheet 24 is also shown in a closed position, where it is flush with the body 12. The replacement sheet 24 is made of a material that is flexible and resilient, allowing it to be bent and then return to its original shape. The replacement sheet 24 is also shown in a partially open position, where it is bent and the teeth 34 are engaged with the body 12. The replacement sheet 24 is also shown in a closed position, where it is flush with the body 12. The replacement sheet 24 is made of a material that is flexible and resilient, allowing it to be bent and then return to its original shape.

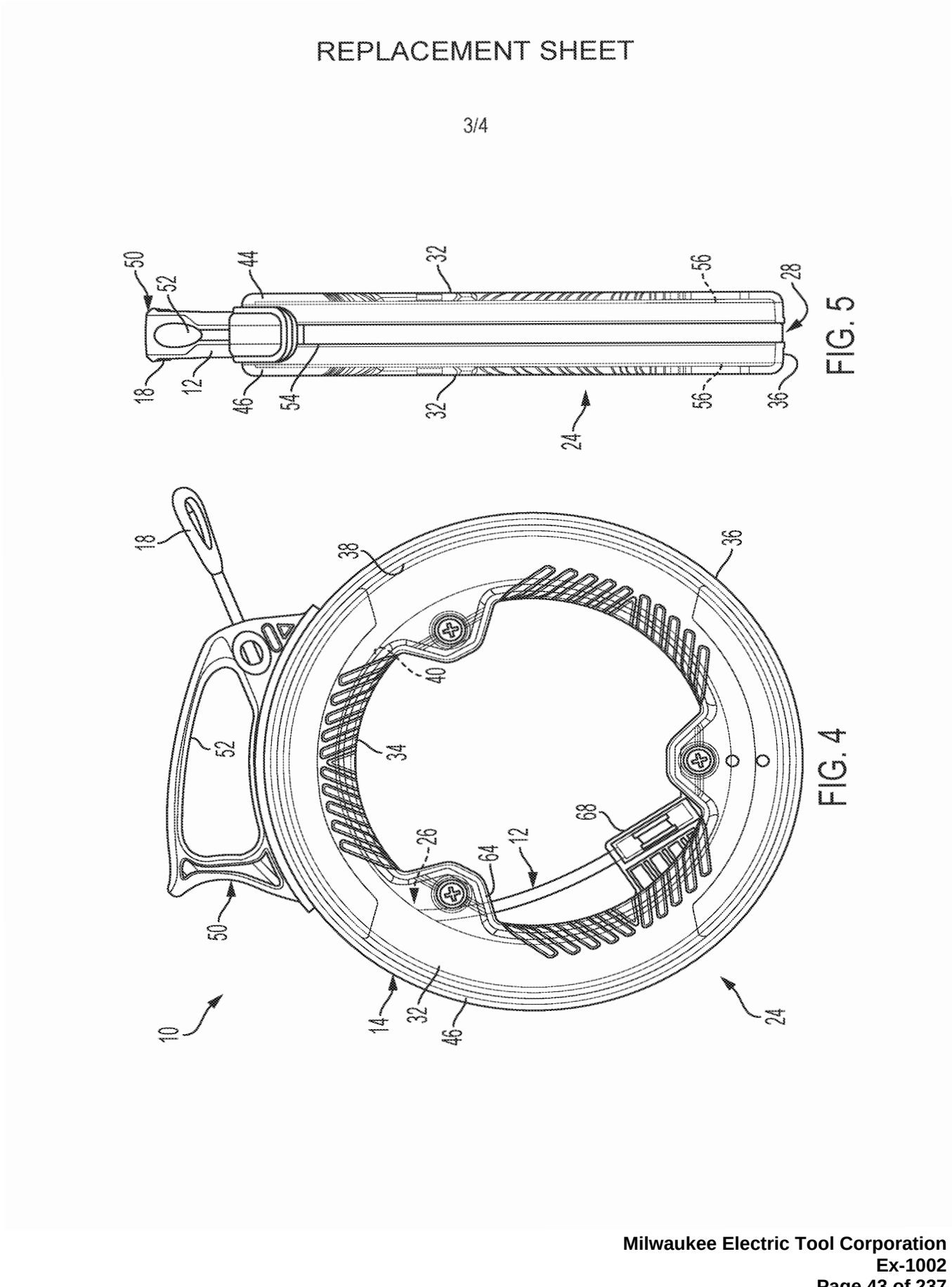
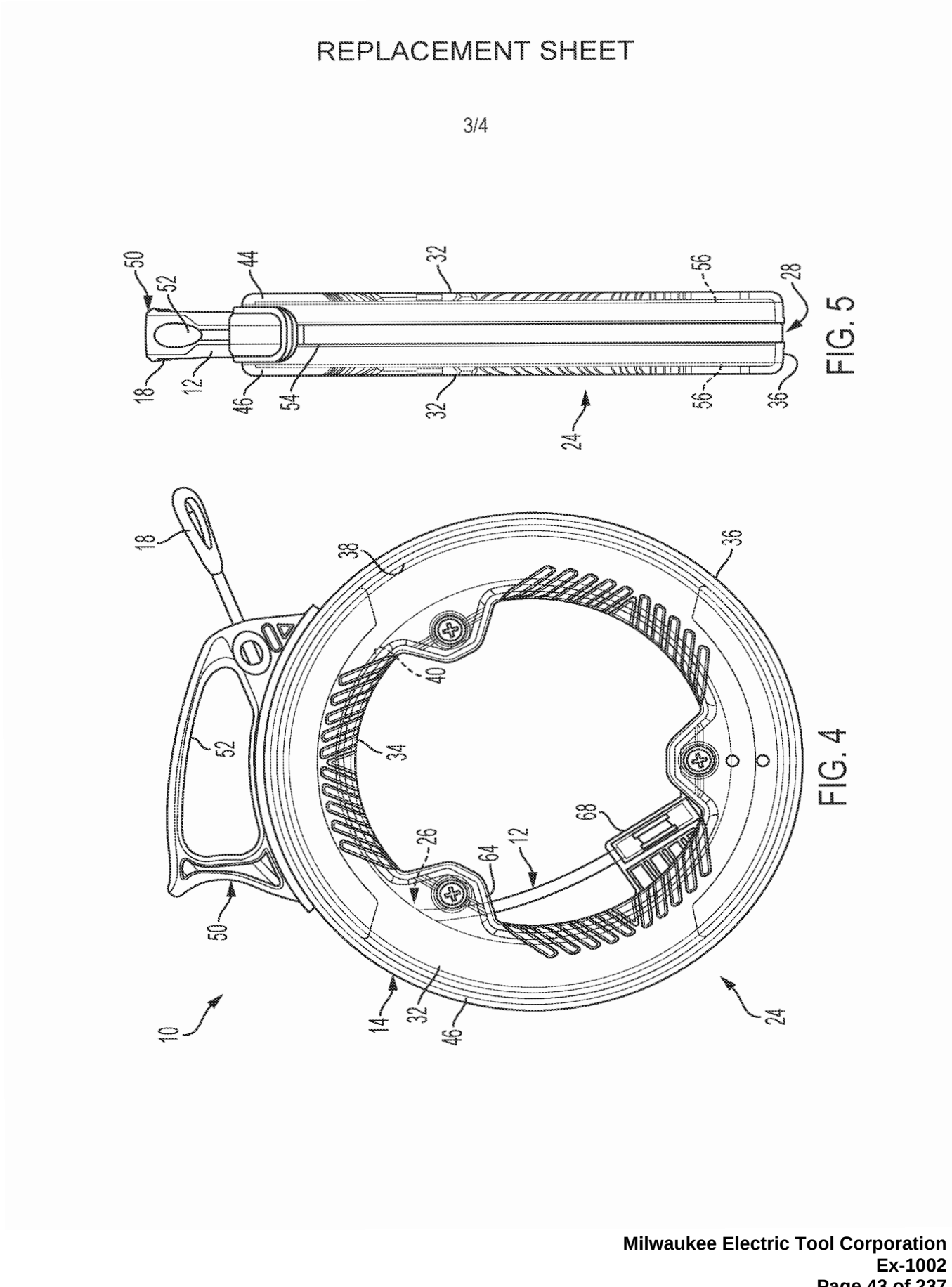
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FIG. 4 is a cross-sectional view of a replacement sheet assembly 10. It shows a circular outer ring 14 with a central opening 12. A replacement sheet 24 is positioned within the opening, featuring a series of parallel ridges 34. The sheet is secured by a clamping mechanism 26, which includes a handle 18 and a lever 50. The handle is connected to the lever via a linkage 52. The lever is secured to the sheet by a bolt 64. The sheet is also secured to the ring by a bolt 68. The ring has a flange 38 and a series of holes 40. The sheet has a series of holes 46. The assembly is shown in a cross-sectional view, with the sheet 24 being a separate component from the ring 14.

FIG. 5 is a cross-sectional view of the replacement sheet 24. It shows a series of parallel ridges 32 and a series of holes 36. The sheet has a handle 18 and a lever 50. The handle is connected to the lever via a linkage 52. The lever is secured to the sheet by a bolt 64. The sheet is also secured to the ring by a bolt 68. The ring has a flange 38 and a series of holes 40. The sheet has a series of holes 46. The assembly is shown in a cross-sectional view, with the sheet 24 being a separate component from the ring 14.

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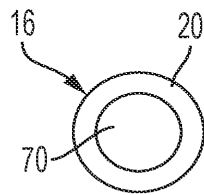


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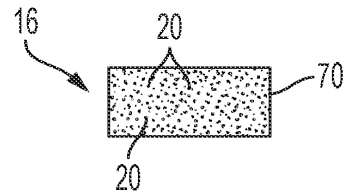


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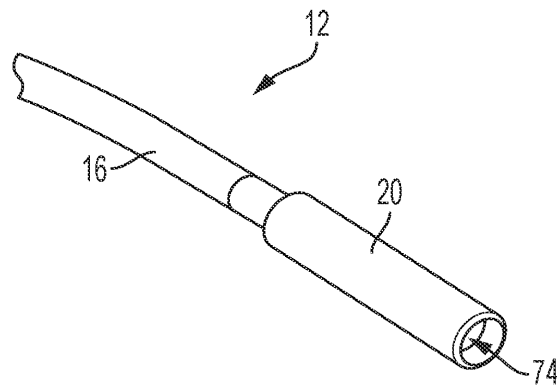


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(54) **A retractable rule assembly and a measuring device**

(57) The invention provides a retractable rule assembly, comprising a housing assembly; a reel rotatably mounted in said housing assembly; an elongated blade formed of a ribbon of metal being wound on the reel, said elongated blade having a concavo-convex configuration when extended from said housing assembly, said elongated blade having measuring indicia formed on the con-

cave side thereof, and a translucent fluorescent material provided on said concave side of said blade and overlying the indicia; a coil spring formed of a ribbon of metal constructed to rotate said reel in said housing assembly in a direction to wind up the elongated blade onto said reel; and a blade holding assembly constructed to hold the blade in a position of extension outwardly of said housing assembly.

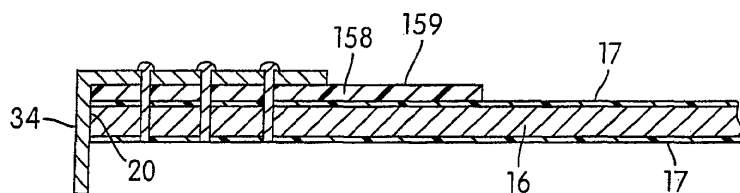


FIG. 5a

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Description

[0001] The present invention relates to a retractable rule assembly and a measuring device.

[0002] In embodiments, this invention is generally related to measuring devices.

[0003] Measuring devices are well known in the art. Other measuring devices include retractable tape rule assemblies, such as that disclosed in U.S. Patent No. 6,804,899, hereby incorporated by reference. There is a constant need in the tool industry for measuring devices with improved utility.

[0004] According to a first aspect of the present invention, there is provided a retractable rule assembly, comprising a housing assembly; a reel rotatably mounted in said housing assembly; an elongated blade formed of a ribbon of metal being wound on the reel, said elongated blade having a concavo-convex configuration when extended from said housing assembly, said elongated blade having measuring indicia formed on the concave side thereof, and a translucent fluorescent material provided on said concave side of said blade and overlying the indicia; a coil spring formed of a ribbon of metal constructed to rotate said reel in said housing assembly in a direction to wind up the elongated blade onto said reel; and a blade holding assembly constructed to hold the blade in a position of extension outwardly of said housing assembly.

[0005] According to a second aspect of the present invention, there is provided a measuring device, comprising a base material; measuring indicia formed on the base material, said measuring indicia including lines and numbers; and a translucent fluorescent material provided in overlying relation with respect to said indicia.

[0006] According to a third aspect of the present invention, there is provided a retractable rule assembly, comprising a housing assembly; a reel rotatably mounted in said housing assembly; an elongated blade wound on said reel, said blade having measuring indicia formed thereon, said blade comprising a light energy storage material that is capable of releasing light energy to provide visibility to said indicia in unlit conditions; and a coil spring arranged to rotate said reel in a direction to wind up the blade onto the reel.

[0007] According to a fifth aspect of the present invention, there is provided A retractable rule assembly, comprising a housing assembly; a reel rotatably mounted in said housing assembly; an elongated blade formed of a ribbon of metal being wound on the reel, said elongated blade having a concavo-convex configuration when extended from said housing assembly, a fluorescent layer of material provided on said concave side of said blade, and indicia formed on said fluorescent layer of material; a coil spring formed of a ribbon of metal constructed to rotate said reel in said housing assembly in a direction to wind up the elongated blade onto said reel; and a blade holding assembly constructed to hold the blade in a position of extension outwardly of said housing assembly.

[0008] According to a sixth aspect of the present invention, there is provided a retractable rule assembly, comprising a housing assembly; a reel rotatably mounted in the housing assembly; an elongated blade wound on the reel, the blade having measuring indicia formed thereon, the measuring indicia comprising a light energy storage material capable of releasing light energy in unlit conditions; and a coil spring arranged to rotate the reel in a direction to wind up the blade onto the reel

[0009] One aspect of an invention disclosed herein relates to a tape rule with improved visibility of measuring indicia and other graphics that may be on the tape blade. In accordance with this aspect, there is provided a retractable rule assembly comprising a housing assembly; a reel rotatably mounted in the housing assembly; and an elongated blade formed of a ribbon of metal being wound on the reel. The elongated blade has a concavo-convex configuration when extended from said housing assembly, the elongated blade having measuring indicia formed on the concave side thereof, and a translucent fluorescent material provided on the concave side of said blade and overlying the indicia. A coil spring formed of a ribbon of metal is constructed to rotate the reel in the housing assembly in a direction to wind up the elongated blade; and a blade holding assembly holds the blade in a position of extension outwardly of the housing assembly.

[0010] Another aspect of an invention disclosed herein relates to a measuring device, comprising a base material; measuring indicia formed on the base material, the measuring indicia including lines and numbers; and a translucent fluorescent material provided in overlying relation with respect to the indicia.

[0011] Another aspect of an invention disclosed herein relates to a retractable rule assembly, comprising a housing assembly; a reel rotatably mounted in said housing assembly; an elongated blade wound on said reel, said blade having measuring indicia formed thereon, said blade comprising a light energy storage material that is capable of releasing light energy to provide visibility to said indicia in unlit conditions; and a coil spring constructed to rotate said reel in a direction to wind up the blade onto the reel.

[0012] These and other objectives, features, and advantages of the present invention will become apparent from the following detailed description, the accompanying drawings, and the appended claims.

[0013] Examples of embodiments of the present invention will now be described in detail with reference to the accompanying drawings, in which:

FIG. 1 shows a prospective view of a tape rule assembly constructed according to an embodiment of the present invention;

FIG. 2 shows a front elevational view of the tape rule assembly;

FIG. 3 shows a side of elevational view of the tape rule assembly;

FIG. 4 shows a cross-sectional view of the tape rule assembly taken through the line 4-4 in FIG. 2 showing a blade thereof in a fully retracted configuration;

FIG. 5 is a view similar to FIG. 4 except showing the blade in a fully extended configuration;

FIGS. 5a-c show three cross sections of configurations of the blade with a film of plastic material on the concave and convex sides, respectively.

FIG. 6 is an enlarged sectional view of a portion of FIG. 5, so as to more clearly illustrate the thumb engaging portion;

FIG. 7a-7d are various embodiments of holding members in accordance with various aspects of the inventions disclosed herein;

FIG. 8a-8d are additional embodiments of holding members in accordance with various aspects of the inventions disclosed herein;

FIG. 9a-d are additional embodiments of holding members, with a resilient portion disposed at the free end thereof.

FIG. 10a-d are various embodiments of thumb engaging portions in accordance with various aspects of the inventions disclosed herein.

FIGS. 1-3 show an exterior view of a retractable rule assembly that is generally designated 10 and is constructed according to the principles of an embodiment of the present invention. The rule assembly 10 includes a housing assembly 12 and a reel 14 that is rotatably mounted inside the housing assembly 12 (best seen in the cross-sectional views of FIGS. 4-5). The reel 14 is mounted in the housing assembly 12 by a reel spindle 15 that is secured within the housing assembly 12 (FIGS. 4-5). An elongated tape rule blade 16 is mounted on the reel 14.

[0014] The blade 16 is formed of a ribbon of metal, the preferred metal being steel, and the top concave surface of the blade is printed with measuring indicia, such as lines and digits (not shown) for measuring lengths and distances. One longitudinal end 18 of the blade 16 is connected to the reel 14 and a second longitudinal free end 20 of the blade 16 extends generally outwardly of the reel 14 (see FIG. 4 and 5c). The blade 16 is constructed and arranged with respect to the housing assembly 12 to extend generally from a position tangential of the reel 14 outwardly through a spaced opening 22 provided in the housing assembly 12 (as shown, for ex-

ample, in FIG. 4).

[0015] Preferably the reel 14 is made of a molded plastic. The blade 16 is wrapped around the reel and has a proximal end thereof fixed relative to the reel 14 for rotation therewith.

[0016] A coil spring 32 has an interconnection between the housing assembly 12 and the reel 14 to rotate the reel 14 with respect to the housing assembly 12 in a direction to wind the elongated blade 16 about the reel when the blade 16 is extending outwardly of the housing assembly opening 22. In one embodiment, as best seen in FIG. 5, the blade 16 is connected to the reel 14 by virtue of the beginning end (distal end) 33 of the blade within the housing being connected to a terminal end 38 of the spring 32 in a conventional, known manner with the spring 32 having a portion thereof (adjacent the connection with the blade 16) being pinned, clipped by protruding reel portion 37 to an outer periphery of the reel 14. Preferably the spring 32 is a thin, flat ribbon of metal, such as steel.

[0017] The blade 16 is generally movable between a fully retracted position outwardly of the housing assembly 12 to a fully extended position. The fully retracted position of the blade 16 is shown in FIG. 4 and the fully extended position of the blade is shown (in fragmentary view) in FIG. 5. It can be appreciated from a comparison of FIG. 4 and FIG. 5 that as the blade is unwound from the reel 14, the coil spring 32 is wound around the rigidly fixed spindle 15. This winding of the spring around the spindle stores energy in the spring to provide spring powered rewinding of the blade 16 around the reel 14 when the extended blade is released.

[0018] The blade 16 is constructed of a ribbon of sheet metal that is shaped during the manufacturing to have a normal or memory configuration that has a generally arcuate or concavo-convex transverse cross-section. The blade 16 has a layer of paint on both sides thereof, with the paint on the concave side of the blade 16 providing measuring indicia 21. In one embodiment, yellow paint is used for background, with black paint on top of the yellow for the numbers and gradations on the top of the blade. However, any combination of colors may be used. The paint layer on each side of the blade preferably has a thickness of about .0001" - .0014" (about 0.00025-0.0036 cm), more preferably between .0006" - .0012" (about 0.00015-0.003 cm), and more preferably between .0008" - .0010" (about 0.002-0.0025 cm). A water-based paint or solvent-based paint is preferred. The "paint" as referred to herein is also sometimes referred to in the art as "ink." In order to reduce damage to the paint layer from rust, corrosion and wear, the paint layer on both sides of the entire blade length is coated with a thin, clear plastic protective coating 17 as shown in FIG. 5a. One such coating may employ materials as described in U.S. Patent 3,121,957, hereby incorporated by reference. The thin plastic coating 17 is preferably provided throughout the length of the blade and on both sides of the blade, with each side of the blade having a coating

thickness of less than .004" (about 0.01 cm), and more preferably between about .002 (about 0.005 cm)" and about .003" (about 0.0075 cm). Any appropriate flexible or semi-flexible material may be used, but Mylar, Polyester, Nylon, Lacquer or Acrylic are most preferred. The material of coating 17 can be of a film type, or of a curable liquid type. In addition, an appropriate thermoset, rubber, thermoplastic, thermoplastic elastomer, polyamide, polyvinyl, silicone, polyimide, polyethylene, fluoropolymer, polyurethane or polyethylene terephthalate may be also used, for example. The coating 17 provides a wear-resistant layer that reduces or inhibits wear of the indicia on the blade. It also preferably provides a sealing function to inhibit rust formation on the blade. If the plastic coating 17 is omitted, it is preferable to use a wear resistant paint to provide the measuring indicia.

[0019] In accordance with one aspect of the present invention, the coating 17 provided on the top or upper portion of the blade (that covers the measuring indicia and numerals) has a fluorescent dye or material additive mixed therein. The fluorescent dye within the coating 17 retains the translucency (or transparency) of the coating so that the painted indicia therebeneath on the paint layer can be clearly viewed. The fluorescent coating applied over the printed tape measure blade graphics, numbers and measuring graduation improves the ease of identification and readability of such blade graphics, particularly in dimly lit conditions. The top coating 17 creates contrast and illumination that also provides improved readability in brightly lit conditions.

[0020] In one embodiment, the coating 17 has a thickness of between about .0002" to .010 (about 0.0005-0.025 cm)".

[0021] As used herein, the term "translucent" is meant to broadly encompass transparent, clear, and light diffusing, but such that indicia or other markings therebehind can be viewed.

[0022] In another embodiment, the coating 17 on both the top and bottom of the blade are provided with the fluorescent additive.

[0023] When a portion of the normally concavo-convex cross-sectional blade 16 is wound about the reel 14, the wound portion has a flattened transverse cross-section and the wound layers of the coiled blade provide the wound blade with an abutting volute coil configuration. It can therefore be understood, that when the blade 16 is wound around the reel 14, it has a flat cross-section and when the blade 16 is withdrawn from the housing assembly 12 to measure an object, it returns to the concavo-convex cross-section. For an example, see U.S. Patent No. 6,804,899, which has been incorporated by reference. The coil spring 32 is constructed and arranged between the housing assembly 12 and the reel 14 to rotate the reel 14 about the spindle with respect to the housing assembly 12 in a direction to wind up the elongated blade 16 into the housing when extending outwardly of the housing assembly opening 22 in a normal concavo-convex cross-sectional configuration onto the reel 14 in an

abutting volute coil formation in a flattened cross-sectional configuration. The concavo-convex cross-section provides the extended blade with rigidity and maintains the blade essentially straight in the longitudinal direction.

[0024] A holding assembly, generally designated to 124, is constructed and arranged to be manually actuated to hold the blade 16 in any position of extension outwardly of the housing assembly opening 22 and to release the blade 16 from any position in which it is held. The structure and operation of the holding assembly 124 is best appreciated from a comparison of FIGS. 4-5. The holding assembly 124 includes a holding member 126 mounted on the housing assembly 12 for movement in opposite directions between a normally inoperative position (FIG. 4) and a holding position (FIG. 5). It can be appreciated that the blade holding member 126 is a generally arcuate member that is movable along an arcuate path between the two positions as aforesaid. The holding member 126 has an interior free end portion 128 that is movable into wedging engagement with the tangentially extending portion of the blade 16 to engage and hold the blade against an interior holding structure 130 (FIG. 5) on the housing assembly 12 when the holding member 126 is in its holding position. The free end portion 128 includes a central recess 129 (FIG. 2, for example) that is described in detail below. The holding member 126 has an exterior thumb engaging portion 132 configured to be moved digitally to selectively move the holding member 126 from its normally inoperative position and its holding position. The exterior thumb engaging portion 132 is best seen in FIGS. 1-2.

[0025] In one embodiment, the thumb engaging portion or slide button 132 is constructed to be impact resistant. Specifically, as best seen in FIG. 6, thumb engaging portion 132, in one embodiment is made from a flexible or elastic material, such as a compliant flexible rubber or thermoplastic elastomer "TPE." In one embodiment, the thumb engaging portion 132 exterior surface has perforations 153, as illustrated in FIG. 10a. In another embodiment, the thumb engaging portion 132 exterior surface has either recessed grooves 154, protruding grooves (protrusions) 155, or a combination of both to bias the direction the outer surface deformation upon impact as illustrated in FIGS. 10b-10d. In another embodiment, the thumb engaging portion 132 exterior surface has a non-uniform cross-sectional thickness to facilitate movement of the holding member 126 in the arcuate actuation direction. This also allows the thumb engaging portion 132 to yield in a perpendicular direction or the direction of the impact.

[0026] As seen in FIGS. 5 and 6-9e, the thumb engaging portion 132 is connected to an elongated arcuate flexible body portion 133 that terminates in the interior free end 128. The body portion 133 is made from an appropriate durable flexible plastic. The body portion 133 may be a one-piece molded structure, or may be a plurality of pieces connected together in any suitable manner. The connection 139 between the thumb engaging portion 132

and the body portion 133 can be achieved by an adhesive connection, a welding operation, or a co-molding operation. In one embodiment, the connection 139 is a chemical polymer bond. In another embodiment, the connection 139 is an adhesive bond. In another embodiment, the connection 139 is a mechanical bond. In another embodiment, the connection 139 is a friction fit. In another embodiment, the connection 139 is integrally formed in a co-molding or sequential molding operation with the body portion 133 and thumb engaging portion 132. As illustrated in the enlarged partial view of FIG. 6, a receiving region 135 is provided behind the thumb engaging portion 132. This gap or void allows the flexible thumb engaging portion 132 to deform into the receiving region 135 and thereby absorb and deflect the drop impact energy in the event that the rule assembly 10 is dropped and the portion 132 impacts the ground or other surface. In one embodiment, the receiving region 135 may comprise a void or space. Following the impact and resultant deformation, the thumb engaging portion 132 flexes back to its original form. As a result, the structural integrity of the thumb engaging portion 132 is preserved, as it will not fracture upon impact. The outwardly extending portion 134 is slidably held within and guided by a slot 136 (see FIG. 2) formed within a front part of housing assembly 12 by the members 40, 42. The movement of a lower portion of the holding member 126 is guided by a pair of tabs 131 integrally formed on respective housing members 40, 42 (only one tab is shown in the figures). An integral locking structure 138 on the holding member 126 engages holding structure 140 (FIG. 5) integrally formed on the housing assembly 12 to releasably lock the holding member 126 in the holding position in wedging engagement with the blade 16.

[0027] In one embodiment, the thumb engaging portion 132 deforms a distance that is greater than 50% of the cross-sectional thickness thereof, wherein the thickness measurement is taken at a region of maximum cross-sectional thickness for a portion of the thumb engaging portion 132 that flexes toward the receiving region 135.

[0028] FIGS. 7a-7d illustrate various, non-limiting arrangements for the body portion 133 and thumb engaging portion 132 joined therewith at connection 139. In FIG. 7a, the void 135 is formed between the thumb engaging portion 132 and body portion 133, by having the ends of the thumb engaging portion joined at connection 139 with the body portion 133 as illustrated. In the embodiment of FIG. 7b, the void 135 is formed entirely within the resilient material of the thumb engaging portion 132, which has an exterior end surface thereof joined with the body portion 133, as illustrated. FIG. 7c is similar to FIG. 7b, with the void 135 formed entirely within the thumb engaging portion 132, but has an exterior bottom surface thereof joined with the body portion 133. FIG. 7d illustrates an arrangement wherein the body portion 133 has an outwardly extending neck portion 148 to accommodate the side edges defining slot 136 in the housing (see FIG. 2)

as known in the art. As shown, in FIG. 7d, the neck portion 148 joins with a mounting portion 143 to which the thumb engaging portion 132 is joined.

[0029] In one embodiment, the receiving region 135 is comprised of a thru void as seen in FIG. 10a. As shown, the thru void is generally empty and the void is open on either side. In another embodiment, the receiving region 135 is comprised of a plurality of voids, as seen in FIG. 10b. In another embodiment, the void 135 is entirely enclosed within the thumb engaging portion, as can be appreciated from FIG. 10d. In another embodiment, the receiving region 135 is not a void, but rather comprises a gel, foam, or other material that is of a lower durometer, or a more compliant material than the thumb engaging portion 132, as can be appreciated from FIGS. 8a, 8c and 10c. FIG. 8a illustrates the receiving region 135 comprising a cellular type material. FIG. 8c illustrates the receiving region 135 comprising a gel material. FIGS. 8b and 10c illustrate the receiving region 135 comprising a foam material, which foam material is of a different color than the thumb engaging portion 132, as discussed below. In these embodiments, the receiving region comprise a relatively softer material than that of the resilient thumb engaging portion 132 to allow the thumb engaging portion 132 to deform into the receiving region 135 upon impact. As discussed above, in some embodiments, the receiving region 135 comprises a material of a different color than the thumb engaging portion 132, and can be viewed from a side profile of the device to provide the holding member 126 with a distinctive look, as illustrated in FIG. 10c. For example, in one embodiment, the thumb engaging portion 132 is a black resilient material, and the receiving region 135 comprises a yellow resilient material of lower durometer (e.g., foam or gel), as illustrated in FIG. 10c. In another embodiment, the receiving region 135 is a cellular structure, as seen in FIG. 8a. The cellular structure of the receiving region 135 is of a different (softer durometer) material than the thumb engaging portion 132 and of the holding member 126. However, in one embodiment, the receiving region is of the same material, but a foamed version of a non-foamed thumb engaging portion 132. This facilitates bonding between these materials. In another embodiment, they are of different materials.

[0030] To lock the blade 16 in a given position of extension, as known in the art, the user (while holding the blade 16 outwardly of the housing assembly 12 against the spring force of the coil spring 32) slides the thumb engaging portion 132 downwardly with respect to the housing assembly 12 causing the locking structure 138 to slide over a ramped surface 142 on the holding structure 140 and causing the free end or blade engaging portion 128 to move in a locking direction with respect to the blade 16. The flexible plastic locking structure 138 bends resiliently inwardly slightly as it passes over the holding structure 140. After the free end 128 contacts the blade 16, continued movement of the thumb engaging portion 132 in the locking (downward) direction thereafter

wedges the free end 128 of the flexible body portion 133 against blade 16 to hold the blade 16 in place against the spring force of the coil spring 32 and moves the locking structure 138 into abutting engagement with a locking surface 141 on the holding structure 140. The holding member flexes slightly as the free end 128 is wedged against the blade 16. The abutting engagement between the locking structure 138 and the locking surface 141 locks the holding member 126 in its holding position.

[0031] It can be understood from FIG. 5 that the blade 16 is held in an extended position (against the spring force of the coil spring 32) between the free end 128 of the body portion 133 and the interior holding structure 130 by the downward force exerted by the wedged body portion 133. The interior holding structure 130 (not visible in detail) is a series of longitudinally spaced, transversely extending ribs that are constructed and arranged to support the convex side of the blade 16. When viewed from the point of view of FIG. 5 (i.e., on a transversely directed line of sight), the top surfaces (not visible in the FIGS.) of the ribs cooperate to provide a generally downwardly sloped support (in a direction toward the opening 22) for the blade 16; and when viewed from the front, (i.e., on a longitudinally directed line of sight) the top surfaces (not visible in the figures) of each rib of the interior holding structure 130 are transversely spaced in a concave array to receive and support the convex side of the blade. The ribs can be a plurality of ribs as discussed above, or a single rib. The rib(s) can be formed of a plastic and/or TPE material.

[0032] To release the blade 16, the user pulls upwardly on the thumb engaging portion 132 which causes the locking structure 138 on the plastic holding member 126 to move resiliently outwardly and past the locking surface 141 to release the holding member 126 from engagement with a blade 16. The holding member 126 resiliently returns to its normal arcuate shape. It can be appreciated from FIG. 2 that the recess 129 on the free end 128 of the holding member 126 defines two transversely spaced teeth 147 which have spaced arcuate side surfaces 144 sized to conform to the concave surface of the blade 16 to hold the same in locked position.

[0033] It can be understood that the use of the holding member 126 when a measurement is being taken is optional. When taking a measurement, the user typically holds the housing assembly 12 in one hand and manually pulls the blade 16 out of the housing assembly 12 with the other hand. When a sufficient length of blade 16 has been withdrawn from the housing assembly 12, the user can lock the blade 16 with respect to the housing assembly 12 using the holding member 126 to prevent the blade 16 from retracting back into the housing assembly 12 (under the spring force of spring 32) when the user releases the blade 16. When the measurement has been taken, the user simply releases the holding member 126 from holding engagement with the blade 16 by moving the free end 128 thereof out of wedging engagement with the blade 16 in the manner described above. If the holding

member 126 is not used during the taking of a measurement, the user can simply hold the blade 16 with his other hand while the measurement is being taken or, alternatively, the hook member 34 can be placed in hooking engagement with the workpiece to hold the blade 16 outwardly of the housing assembly 12 in a controlled and steady manner against the spring force of spring 32 while the measurement is being taken.

[0034] When the blade 16 is released after taking the measurement, the spring 32 rotates the reel 14 with respect to the housing assembly 12 in a blade-winding direction to wind the blade 16 around the reel 14.

[0035] In one embodiment, the holding member 126 has a resilient portion 150 that comprises a blade engaging surface. The resilient portion 150 is attached to the free end 128 of the holding member 126, as seen in FIG. 9a. In one embodiment, the resilient portion 150 is made of an elastomeric material. In another embodiment, as shown in FIGS. 9b-9d, the resilient portion 150 has a void receiving portion 151 behind or within the resilient portion 150 that enables the resilient portion 150 to deform elastically to a greater extent, in comparison with no receiving portion, when the resilient portion 150 contacts the blade 16. Either arrangement provides for enhanced holding force applied to the blade 16 in comparison with no resilient portion. In one embodiment, the receiving portion 151 at the free end 128 of the holding member 126 is comprised of a void, as seen in FIG. 9b. In one embodiment, the receiving region 151 at the free end 128 of the holding member 126 is not a void, but rather comprises a cellular material (FIG. 9c), or a foam or gel (FIG. 9d). These materials are of a lower durometer, or more compliant material than the resilient portion 150. In one embodiment, the receiving region material is chemically compatible with the resilient portion so as to facilitate overmolding and chemical bonding therebetween. For example, the receiving region material 151 can be a foamed version of the same material as the non-foamed resilient portion 150.

[0036] In one embodiment, a relatively short free end portion of the blade 16 has a film 158 of a clear, translucent (as defined herein) plastic material adhered to the concave and/or to the convex side thereof to protect the blade 16 while the same is out of the housing assembly 12 and while the blade 16 is being retracted under the spring force of the spring 32 back into the housing assembly 12. Though the film 158 may be clear to permit reading of measuring indicia beneath the film, it may also be opaque, particularly in the case where it is on the convex side of the blade 16 as shown in FIG. 5b. Moreover, if an opaque film 158 is used on the concave side of the blade, it may itself contain the measuring indicia for that portion of the blade, so that even if the film obscures printed indicia on the blade 16, the device can still be readily used. Preferably the film 158 is made of polyurethane and is adhered to the blade (i.e., over the paint layer), or, in the case that the blade includes a protective plastic coating 17, to the coating 17, by an acrylic adhesive.

sive. Adhesive may not be necessary if the plastic coating is made of the same material as the film, since the two components can chemically bond, for example under heat treatment, obviating the need for adhesive. It is also contemplated to use Mylar® or Nylon® to construct the film. The film 158 has a thickness dimension that is larger than the thickness dimension of the thin plastic coating 17, if coating 17 is provided. In one embodiment, the film 158 has a thickness within the range of approximately 0.006 inches (about 0.015 cm) to approximately 0.014 inches (about 0.036 cm). It is within the scope of the invention to apply this film to the blade of any known tape rule assembly.

[0037] In one embodiment, the film 158 is self-adhering and is placed over several leading inches (preferably within a broad range of approximately 2 inches to approximately 12 inches) of the free end 20 of the blade 16, including the portion of the blade on which the hook member 34 is disposed so that the film goes under the hook member 34 all the way to the free end 20 of the blade 16. In another embodiment, the film 158 is applied along a length from the free end 20 of the blade 16 that is less than 10.5 inches; and in another embodiment, the length of the blade 16 from the free end thereof that is covered by the film 158 is approximately 6 inches. In one embodiment, the film-covered portion ends at approximately the point on the blade 16 where the volutes of the coiled blade are in overlying relation to one another when the blade 16 is in its fully retracted configuration. Typically in a tape rule assembly, the tape blade starts to wrap on itself at approximately 9.5 inches when a typical reel size of approximately 2.9 inches in outer diameter is used in the construction. The film 158 is provided because most failures in a rule blade 16 occur within the first six inches of the free end of the blade 16 from cracks or tearing. The cracks or tearing occur because when the blade is wound back around reel under the spring force of the coil spring, the free end of the blade tends to "whip" as it enters the opening 22, causing the last several inches of the blade 16 to hit against the housing assembly 12. This can cause cracking or breaking of the free end of the blade 16 over time. The protective film 158 prevents these cracks and tears and other damage to the blade 16 associated with blade whipping.

[0038] The free end of the blade 16 is frequently handled by the user and this handling can over time cause the numbering and markings on the concave side of the blade 16 to wear off or become difficult to read, even where the protective coating 17 is applied. When applied to the concave side of the blade, the film 158 prevents this damage because it covers the numbering and markings on the free end of the blade and thereby protects the same from being worn off. Film 158 provided on the concave side of the blade may also be subjected to less wear in comparison to film provided on the convex side.

[0039] There are several possibilities for the protective film 158 that remain within the scope of the present invention. For example, the film 158 may cover only a por-

tion of the width of the blade 16. A range of between about 25% to about 100% may be sufficient to provide an increase in the blade life while reducing the amount of material necessary to provide the film. Most preferably, however, about 100% of the blade width is covered. In addition, the film, illustrated in FIG. 5c as film 165, may include a plurality of sub-layers 166. The sub-layers may be formed into the film prior to attachment to the blade 16, or may alternatively be individually attached to the blade in an iterative process. Also, the film 158, 165 may include at least one reinforcing member; such as, where- in the reinforcing member is a fiber 168 as in FIG. 5b.

[0040] In one embodiment, the film 158 and/or film 165 (or one or more sub-layer 166 thereof), in any of the embodiments above, may be provided with a fluorescent additive, so as to provide similar benefits (for portions of the blade with such film) noted above with respect to the coating 17, irrespective of whether the coating 17 is provided with the fluorescent additive. In yet another embodiment, a translucent (as defined herein) fluorescent coating layer is provided as a separate layer positioned between a non-fluorescent coating layer 17 and a non-fluorescent protective film 158 and/or 165. This separate layer may be formed from polyester in one embodiment, with the fluorescent additive.

[0041] In other embodiments, indicia are formed on top of the translucent fluorescent coating in any of the previously disclosed embodiments, rather than therebeneath. In another embodiment, the indicia is formed on top of an opaque, plastic coating layer formed on top of the metal blade.

[0042] In any of the embodiments herein, the fluorescent dye may provide a yellowish, greenish, orangeish or other colored tint.

[0043] In yet other embodiments, rather than using a fluorescent additive as described above, a light energy absorbing and releasing material (or "luminescent" or "phosphorescent material") is used. Such material is capable of subsequently releasing and emitting light energy to provide illumination to the measuring indicia in unlit environmental conditions. Unlike fluorescent materials, phosphorescent materials do not immediately discharge the radiation it absorbs. This type of light energy absorbing and releasing (or phosphorescent) material is commonly referred to as "glow-in-the-dark" material. Thus, in the embodiments described above, the layer 17 and/or layer 158 may include a "glow-in-the-dark" substance. In one configuration, the "glow-in-the-dark" layer 17 is substantially translucent (as defined herein) and illuminates the indicia printed therebeneath to enable the indicia to be viewed in unlit environmental conditions.

[0044] In another modification, the "glow-in-the-dark" material layer 17 is substantially opaque. In this modification, the indicia is a non-phosphorescent material (e.g., conventional measuring tape paint, or a fluorescent material such as fluorescent paint) printed on top of the layer 17, and the glow of the layer 17 will provide substantial contrast to the indicia printed thereon in unlit conditions.

[0045] In this last configuration, a thin translucent or transparent layer or coating may be provided on top of the "glow-in-the-dark" material and the indicia. This thin clear or translucent layer may be similar to the layer 17 as described in U.S. Patent No. 6,804,899, or as described above, and protects the indicia from becoming worn or faded.

[0046] In yet another embodiment, a "glow-in-the-dark" (phosphorescent) material is used for the indicia (lines and/or numbers), and this is formed on a non-phosphorescent background material (e.g., a background of conventional paint, or fluorescent material). In this embodiment, the glow of the indicia will provide substantial contrast in relation to the background material on which the indicia is formed, particularly in unlit conditions.

[0047] In yet another embodiment, the "glow-in-the-dark" material comprises an opaque "glow-in-the-dark" plastic material that constitutes essentially the entire thickness of the blade 16, thus eliminating the need for a metal layer. The indicia in this embodiment is printed directly on the top surface of the plastic blade 16.

[0048] The "glow-in-the-dark" or phosphorescent material may be any suitable type of chemical compound emitting light, such as zinc sulfide or strontium aluminate, just for example.

[0049] The construction of the hook member 34 and the manner in which it is disposed on the free end 20 of the blade 16 is best seen in FIGS. 1-4. Preferably the end hook member 34 is formed of sheet metal and is mounted on the free end 20 of the blade 16.

[0050] One skilled in the art will understand that the embodiment of the tape rule assembly 10 shown in the figures and described above is exemplary only and not intended to be limiting. It is within the scope of the invention to provide any known tape rule assembly with any or all of the features of the present invention. For example, the clear film of plastic material with fluorescent dye can be applied to any known tape rule assembly, such a dual mode rule assembly as disclosed by U.S. Patent No. 6,643,948, hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety, or a "Lever Lock" type tape rule. It should be appreciated that the "blade holding assembly" as disclosed and claimed herein can be any type of blade holding assembly, including the dual mode type or "Lever Lock" type. Similarly, a lock member constructed according to the principles of the present invention can be applied to any known rule assembly.

[0051] It can also be appreciated that it is contemplated to use any of the aforementioned features singly or in any appropriate combination on a tape rule assembly that has a spring-powered retractable blade or, alternatively, on any tape rule assembly in which the blade is manually retracted.

[0052] It will thus be seen that the objects of the present invention have been fully and effectively accomplished. It will be realized, however, that the foregoing specific embodiments have been shown and described for the purposes of illustrating the functional and structural prin-

ciples of the present invention and is subject to change without departure from such principles. Therefore, this invention includes all modifications encompassed within the spirit and scope of the following claims.

[0053] Embodiments of the present invention have been described with particular reference to the examples illustrated. However, it will be appreciated that variations and modifications may be made to the examples described within the scope of the present invention.

Claims

1. A retractable rule assembly, comprising:
 - a housing assembly (12);
 - a reel (14) rotatably mounted in said housing assembly;
 - an elongated blade (16) formed of a ribbon of metal being wound on the reel (14), said elongated blade having a concavo-convex configuration when extended from said housing assembly, said elongated blade having measuring indicia (21) formed on the concave side thereof, and a translucent fluorescent material provided on said concave side of said blade and overlying the indicia;
 - a coil spring (32) formed of a ribbon of metal constructed to rotate said reel in said housing assembly (12) in a direction to wind up the elongated blade (16) onto said reel; and
 - a blade holding assembly (124) constructed to hold the blade in a position of extension outwardly of said housing assembly.
2. A retractable rule assembly according to claim 1, wherein said fluorescent material comprises a plastic material having a thickness dimension of between about .0002" to .010" (about 0.0005-0.025 cm).
3. A retractable rule assembly according to claim 1 or 2, wherein said indicia (21) is provided by a layer of paint between said blade and said fluorescent material, said layer of paint having a thickness of between .0001" to .0014" (about 0.000025-0.0036 cm).
4. A retractable rule assembly according to any of claims 1 to 3, wherein said fluorescent material comprises a material selected from the group consisting of: polyamides, polyvinyl, polyesters, silicone, polyimides, polyethylene, fluoropolymers, polyurethane and polyethylene terephthalate.
5. A retractable rule assembly according to any of claims 1 to 4, wherein said fluorescent material is also on said convex side of said blade.

6. A retractable rule assembly according to any of claims 1 to 5, wherein said fluorescent material is provided on an entire length of said blade.
7. A retractable rule assembly according to any of claims 1 to 6, wherein said fluorescent material is provided on less than an entire length of said blade.
8. A retractable rule assembly according to any of claims 1 to 7, wherein said film extends across less than one hundred percent of the width of said blade.
9. A retractable tape rule assembly according to any of claims 1 to 8, wherein said translucent material is transparent.
10. A measuring device, comprising:
 a base material;
 measuring indicia (31) formed on the base material, said measuring indicia including lines and numbers; and
 a translucent fluorescent material provided in overlying relation with respect to said indicia.
11. A measuring device according to claim 10, wherein said translucent material is transparent.
12. A retractable rule assembly, comprising:
 a housing assembly (12);
 a reel (14) rotatably mounted in said housing assembly;
 an elongated blade (16) wound on said reel, said blade having measuring indicia (31) formed thereon, said blade comprising a light energy storage material that is capable of releasing light energy to provide visibility to said indicia in unlit conditions; and
 a coil spring (32) arranged to rotate said reel in a direction to wind up the blade onto the reel (14).
13. A retractable rule assembly according to claim 12, wherein said light energy storage material is opaque and said indicia is formed over said opaque light energy storage material.
14. A retractable rule assembly according to claim 12 or 13, wherein said blade is formed from a plastic material comprising the light energy storage material.
15. A retractable rule assembly according to any of claims 12 to 14, wherein said blade is formed from a metal material, and said light energy storage material is formed over said metal material.
16. A retractable rule assembly according to claim 15, wherein said light energy storage material is opaque and said indicia is formed over said opaque light energy storage material.
17. A retractable rule assembly according to claim 15, wherein said light energy storage material is translucent or transparent.
18. A retractable rule assembly according to any of claims 12 to 17, wherein the indicia is between the metal material and the translucent or transparent light energy storage material.
19. A retractable rule assembly according to any of claims 12 to 17, wherein the indicia is formed over the translucent or transparent material.
20. A retractable rule assembly according to claim 16, further comprising a translucent or transparent material formed over the light energy storage material and the indicia so as to protect the indicia.
21. A retractable rule assembly according to any of claims 12 to 20, wherein the light energy storage material comprises a phosphorescent material.
22. A retractable rule assembly, comprising:
 a housing assembly (12);
 a reel (14) rotatably mounted in said housing assembly;
 an elongated blade (16) formed of a ribbon of metal being wound on the reel, said elongated blade having a concavo-convex configuration when extended from said housing assembly, a fluorescent layer of material provided on said concave side of said blade, and indicia formed on said fluorescent layer of material;
 a coil spring (32) formed of a ribbon of metal constructed to rotate said reel in said housing assembly in a direction to wind up the elongated blade onto said reel; and
 a blade holding assembly (124) constructed to hold the blade in a position of extension outwardly of said housing assembly (12).
23. A retractable rule assembly according to claim 22, wherein the fluorescent layer of material is translucent.
24. A retractable rule assembly according to claim 22 or 23, further comprising a transparent layer disposed in overlying relationship with the indicia.
25. A retractable rule assembly according to any of claims 12 to 24, wherein the light energy storage material comprises a luminescent material.
26. A retractable rule assembly according to any of

claims 12 to 25, wherein the light energy storage material is formed on a concave side of the blade.

27. A retractable rule assembly according to any of claims 12 to 26, wherein the light energy storage material is formed on a convex side of the blade. 5

28. A retractable rule assembly, comprising:

a housing assembly (12); 10
a reel (14) rotatable in the housing assembly;
an elongated blade wound on the reel, the blade having measuring indicia (31) formed thereon, the measuring indicia comprising a light energy storage material capable of releasing light energy in unlit conditions; and a coil spring (32) 15
arranged to rotate the reel (14) in a direction to wind up the blade onto the reel.

29. A retractable rule assembly according to claim 28, wherein the indicia comprises numbers. 20

30. A retractable rule assembly according to claim 28 or 29, wherein the indicia comprises lines. 25

31. A retractable rule assembly according to any of claims 28 to 30, wherein the indicia is formed on top of a non-light energy releasing material. 30

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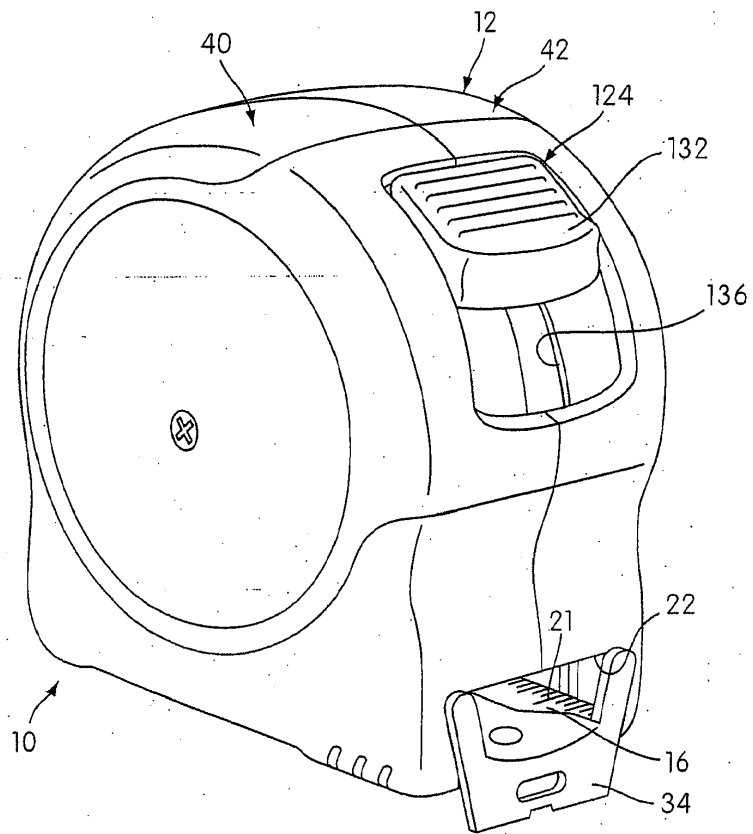


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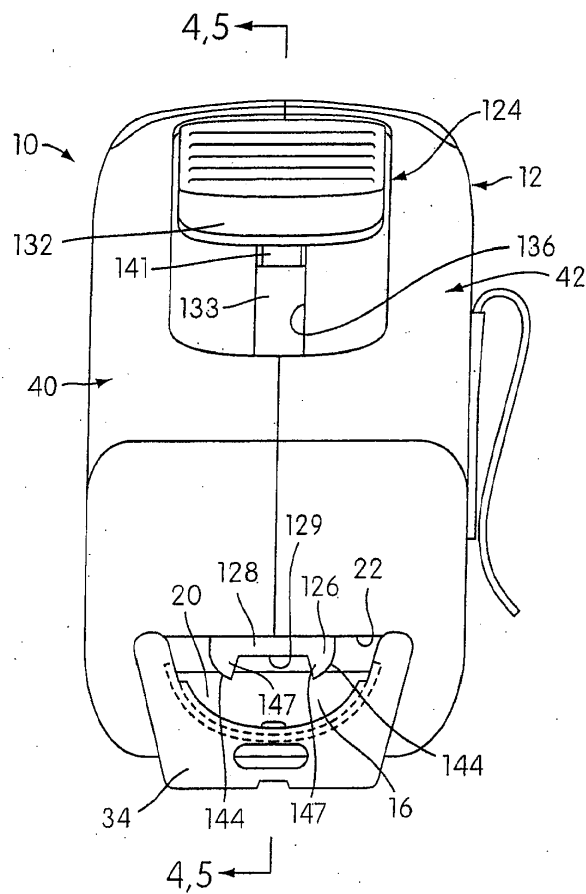


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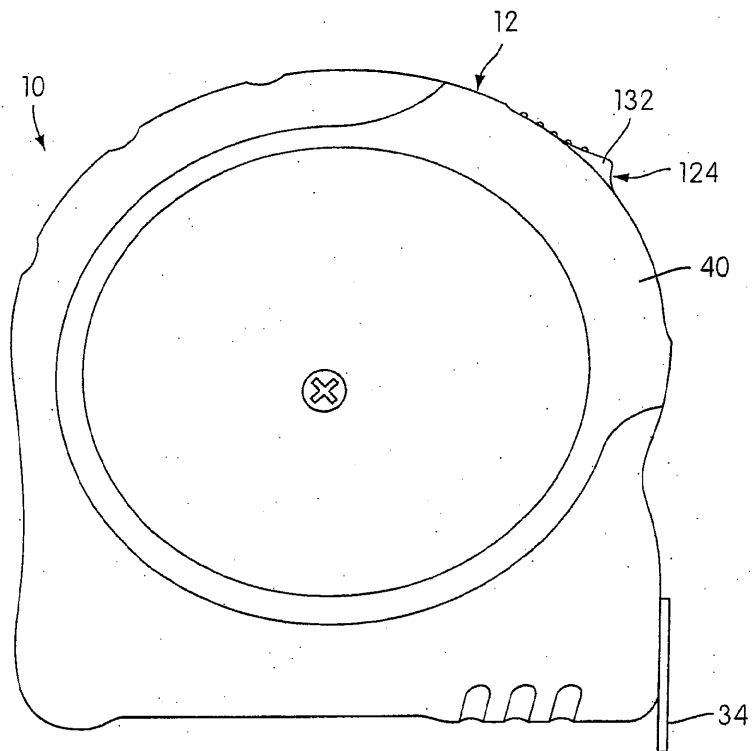


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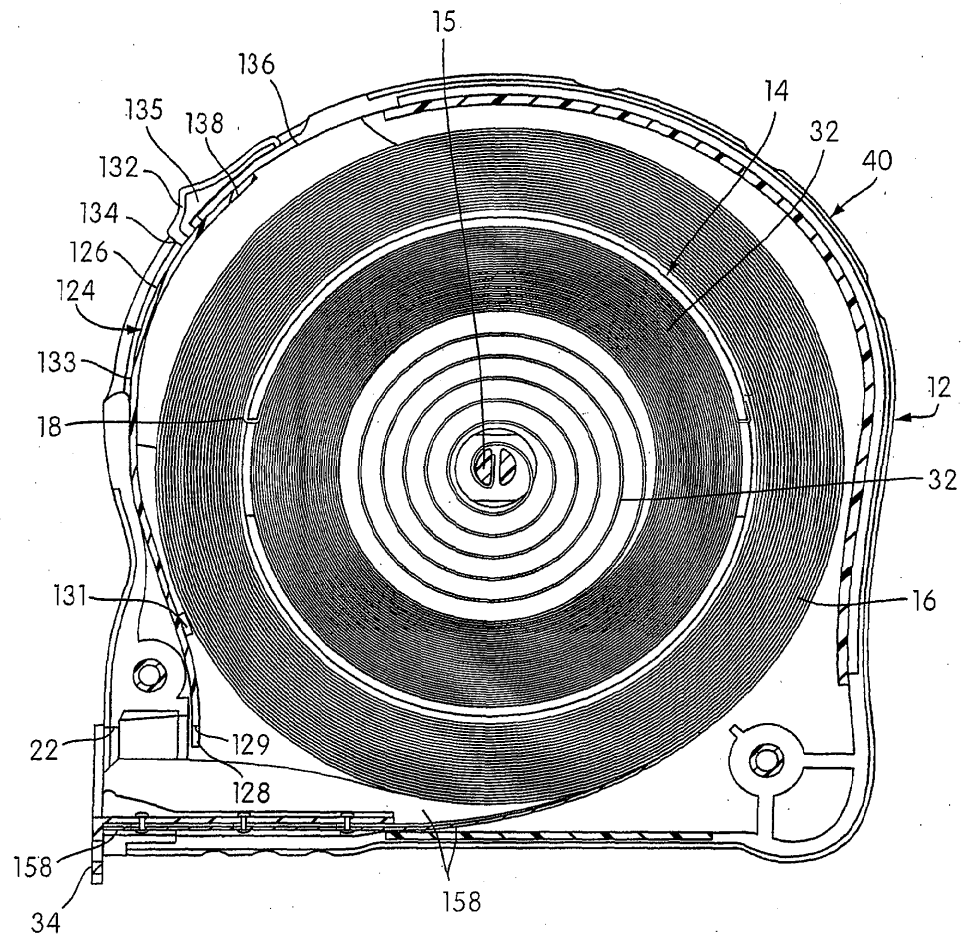


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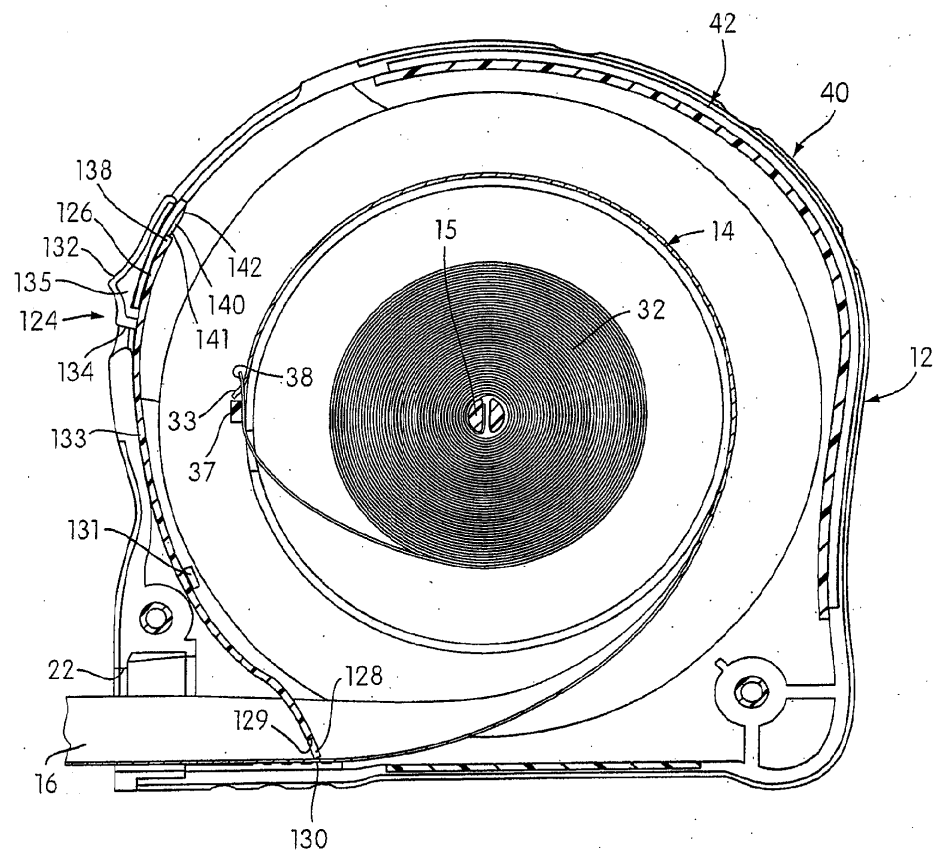


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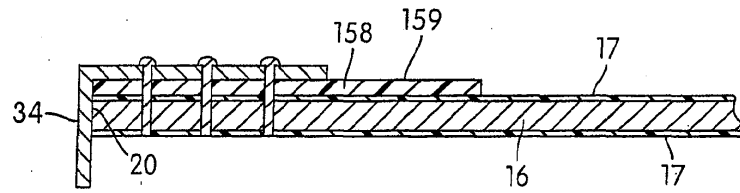


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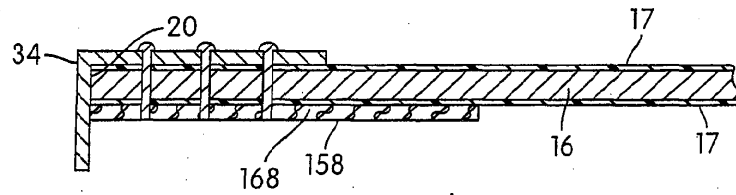


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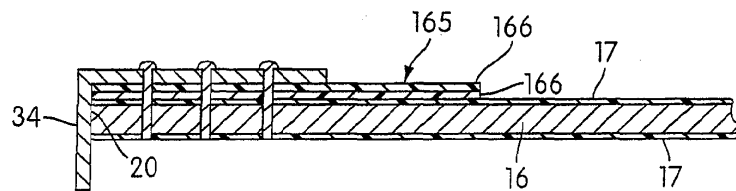


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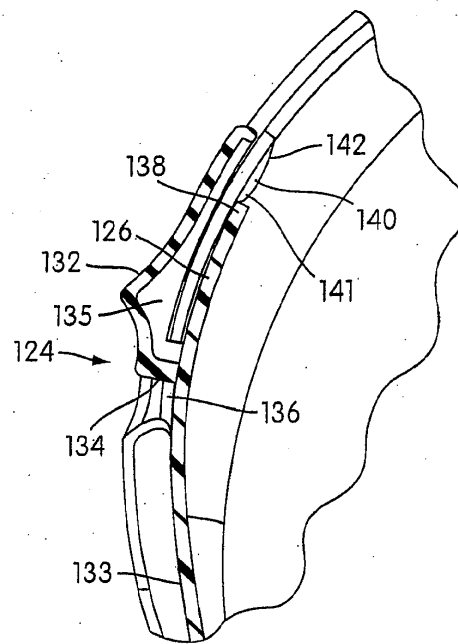
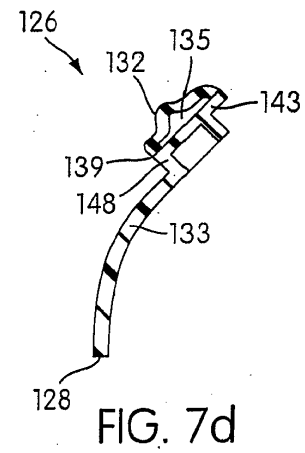
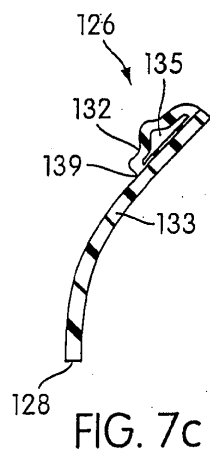
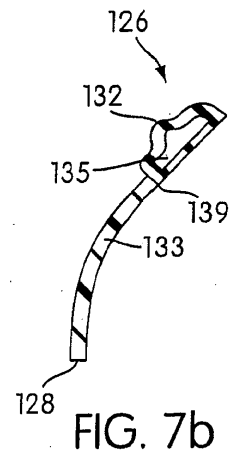
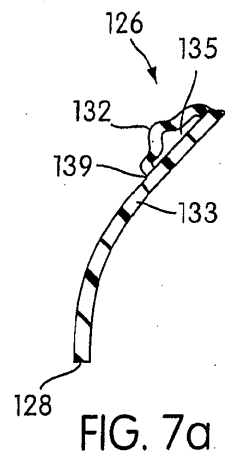
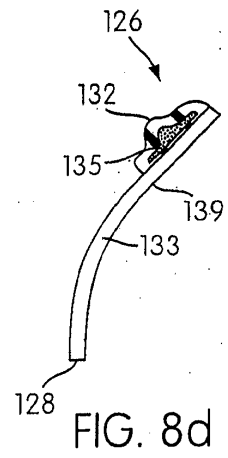
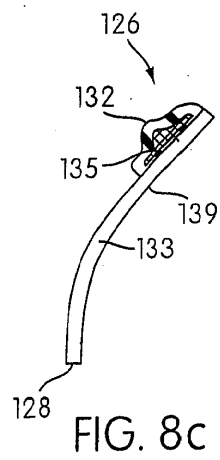
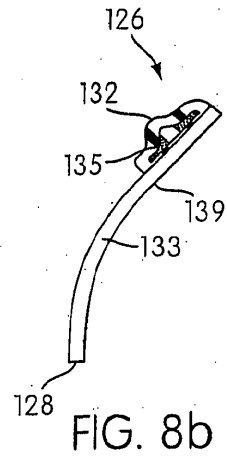
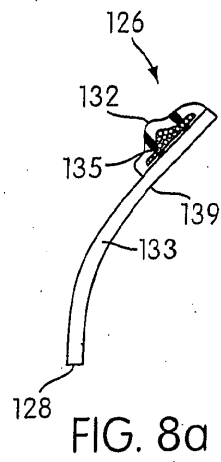


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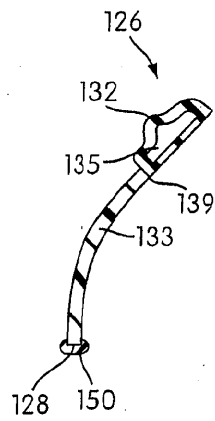


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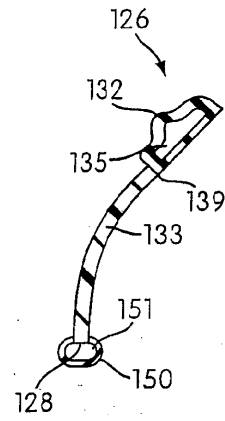


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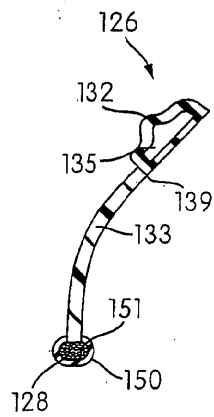


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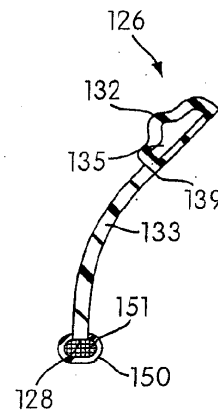


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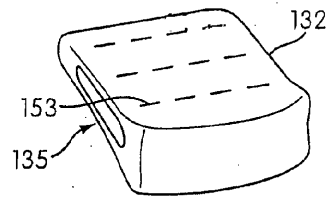


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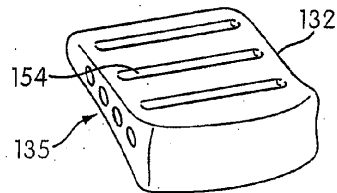


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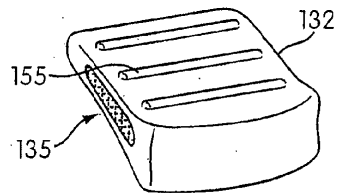


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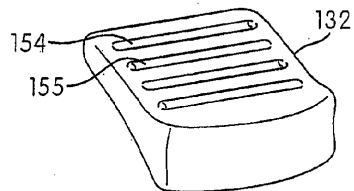


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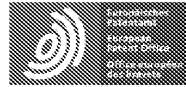
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PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide a measuring tape which enables easy reading of scale at night and in darkness, and has improved maintainability. SOLUTION: A surface 8 of a tape 7 or a scale 9 printed on the surface is coated with a phosphorescent coating material. A part or the whole part of a tape reeling drum 5 for reeling up the tape 7 is made transparent. A part or the whole part of a case (right-half case 2/left-half case 3) is made transparent, and the measuring tape is constituted.

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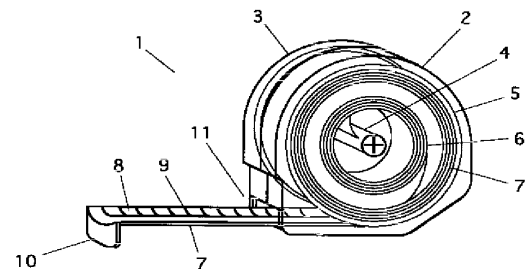
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(57) 【要約】

【目的】 夜間や暗がりでもメモリを容易に読み取ることができ且つメンテナンス性を向上させた巻尺を提供することを目的とする。

【構成】 テープ7の表面8またはその上に印刷されるメモリ9を蓄光可能な塗料で塗装し、そのテープ7を巻取るテープ巻取りドラム5の一部または全部を透明として、更にそれらを収容するケース（右ハーフケース2／左ハーフケース3）の一部または全部を透明にして巻尺を構成する。



【特許請求の範囲】

【請求項1】 ケース内に、テープの巻取りバネを内装するテープ巻取りドラムが回動自在に軸装された巻尺において、テープの表面またはその上に印刷されるメモリが蓄光可能な塗料で塗装され、そのテープを巻取るテープ巻取りドラムの一部または全部が透明であり、更にそれらを収容するケースの一部または全部が透明であることを特徴とする巻尺

【請求項2】 テープの表面およびその上に印刷されるメモリの両方が蓄光可能な塗料で塗装されていることを特徴とする請求項1の巻尺

【請求項3】 テープ巻取りドラムの巻胴の両端に有する鉤の一方または両方が透明であることを特徴とする請求項1の巻尺

【請求項4】 テープ巻取りドラムの鉤を有する蓋体の一部または全部が透明であることを特徴とする請求項1の巻尺

【請求項5】 ケースが左右のハーフケースから構成されてなり、そのハーフケースの一方または両方が透明であることを特徴とする請求項1の巻尺

【請求項6】 ケースが、少なくとも前壁と後壁と底壁を有する周回壁とその周回壁の左右周縁に係合する左右の側壁から構成されてなり、その3ピースケースの左右またはその一方の側壁が透明であることを特徴とする請求項1の巻尺

【請求項7】 固定的にあるいは格納可能にして、ケースのテープ出入口の近傍にテープのメモリ側の面を照光する照明装置を設けたことを特徴とする請求項1の巻尺

【請求項8】 明暗を感知するセンサーにより照明装置のスイッチが自動的にオンオフすることを特徴とする請求項7の巻尺

【発明の詳細な説明】

【0001】

【産業上の利用分野】 本発明は、暗い場所でも使用することができる巻尺に関するものである。

【0002】

【従来技術と問題点】 従来、巻尺の使用に際して一般的には昼間が多く、よって測定用のテープに印刷されているメモリも昼間は容易に読み取ることができる。しかし、夜間や暗がりでは巻尺を使用することもあり、その場合は照明器具によって作業現場全体を照光するなどして使用しているのが、測定場所が狭く照明器具からの光が届かない場所であったり、照明器具が無かったりまた用意していなかった時には暗い状態で作業をしなければならず、メモリの読み取は困難を極め測定寸法を読み間違えてしまうこともしばしばあった。

【0003】 このことから、暗闇での使用を想定して常に照明器具や懐中電灯を持ち歩けばよいのだが、多くの人はそれらを工具箱に収納してはいるものの、作業中に巻尺と共にそれらを持ち歩くことは皆無に等しいの

である。そして、その測定作業場所が照明器具や懐中電灯を収納している工具箱から離れている場所であった時は、照明器具や懐中電灯を取りに行くのが面倒なことから、暗い状態のままで寸法測定をしてしまうことが多いのである。

【0004】 また、作業者は測定場所の明暗に関係なくメモリの判読が不可能となるまではその明るさで測定作業を行ってしまうことが多いため、測定寸法の読み間違えに関係するミスは一向に減ることがなかった。このことから、電池を電源とした照明装置を備える巻尺が考案されたが、これは電池の消耗により使用できなくなったり、また、電球が切れてしまえば電池が残っていても使用できなくなってしまうものであるため、作業者からはメンテナンス性が良く昼夜共にメモリを判読できる巻尺の開発を望んでいた。

【0005】

【目的】 本発明は上述した問題点に鑑みてなされたもので、夜間や暗がりでもメモリを容易に読み取ることができ且つメンテナンス性を向上させた巻尺を提供することを目的とするものである。

【0006】

【問題を解決するための手段】 本発明の要旨とするところは、ケース内に、テープの巻取りバネを内装するテープ巻取りドラムが回動自在に軸装された巻尺において、テープの表面またはその上に印刷されるメモリが蓄光可能な塗料で塗装され、そのテープを巻取るテープ巻取りドラムの一部または全部が透明であり、更にそれらを収容するケースの一部または全部が透明であることを特徴とする巻尺である。

【0007】 この巻尺をさらに詳しく説明すると、ケースの内側壁の軸にテープの巻取りバネを内装するテープ巻取りドラムが回動自在に軸装されており、このテープ巻取りドラムの巻胴にメモリが印刷されたテープが巻回される。このテープの表面すなわちメモリを印刷する部分、または、テープの表面に印刷されるメモリ、あるいはその両方が蓄光可能な塗料で塗装されているものである。蓄光可能な塗料は一般に市販されているものを用いればよい。

【0008】 テープの表面も、その全部または一部を蓄光可能な塗料で塗装して、その塗装面積や塗装形状（デザイン）等も特に限定するものではなく適宜所望の塗装をすればよい。また、塗装色においても特に限定するものではなく、昼夜を問わず容易に判読することができる色であれば何でもよい。

【0009】 このテープを巻回するテープ巻取りドラムは、その一部または全部を透明にして巻回するテープの側面に光が到達できるように構成しなければならないが、その形態は特に限定するものではない。このとき、巻尺のケース自体もその一部または全部を透明にして、光がテープ巻取りドラムに到達するようにしなければなら

らない。

【0010】テープ巻取りドラムの一部または全部を透明にするにあたり、その形態や方法は特に限定するものではないが、一部を透明にする場合の具体例としては、テープ巻取りドラムの巻胴の両端に有する鐐の一方または両方を透明にする。また、テープ巻取りドラムの鐐を有するテープ巻取りドラムの蓋体の一部または全部を透明にしてもよい。

【0011】巻尺のケースの一部または全部を透明にするにあたり、その形態や方法は特に限定するものではないが、具体的には、ケースが左右のハーフケースから構成されるものは、そのハーフケースの一方または両方を透明にすればよい。また、ケースが少なくとも前壁と後壁と底壁を有する周回壁とその周回壁の左右周縁に係合する左右の側壁から構成されるものは、その3ピースケースの左右またはその一方の側壁を透明にすればよい。

【0012】さらには、この巻尺のケースのテープ出入口上部の前壁に、固定的にあるいは格納可能にして、テープのメモリ側の面を照光する照明装置を設けてもよい。照明装置も特に限定するものではなく何でもよいが、発光体にはLEDを用いるのがよく、また、電源はボタン電池を用いるのが望ましい。照明装置のスイッチも手動または自動どちらでもよいが、周囲の明暗を感知するセンサーを設けて、照明装置が使用される場合にスイッチが自動的にオンオフするようにしてもよい。

【0013】

【作用】本発明の巻尺は以上のような構造であることから、昼間に於いては巻尺を携帯することにより、太陽光が巻尺の透明ケースを透過してケース内部に入ると共に、透明部材により形成されたテープ巻取りドラムまた蓋体の鐐を透過して、蓄光塗料により印刷されたテープの側面に光が到達する。これにより、太陽光がテープの側面から蓄光塗料に蓄えられる。

【0014】そして、夜間や暗い所で巻尺が使用される時は、ケースより引き出されたテープの表面またはメモリから蓄えられている光が発せられて、テープの表面またはメモリ表示がネオンサインの如く発光する。また、照明装置を備えるものは、蓄光塗料に蓄えられた光量が少ないとき蓄光塗料の発光を補助することができる。

【0015】

【実施例】本発明の巻尺を以下図面に従って説明すると、図1は、本発明に係わる巻尺の斜視図であり、1はその巻尺、2は右ハーフケース、3は左ハーフケースで、一方のハーフケースの内壁に軸4が立設している。5は巻胴54にテープ7を巻回するテープ巻取りドラムで、その内部にはテープ7を巻取るテープ巻取りバネ6が内装されている。テープ7はその表面8にメモリ9が印刷されており、また先端にフック10が設けられている。11はテープ出入口である。

【0016】そして、そのテープ7の表面8またはメモ

リ9、あるいは表面8とメモリ9が蓄光可能な塗料で印刷されている。蓄光可能な塗料とは一般的には蓄光塗料と呼ばれているものである。また、テープ巻取りドラム5と右ハーフケース2および左ハーフケース3が透明素材から形成されており、これにより太陽光等の外光がケース内部に収納されているテープ7の側面に届くようになっている。

【0017】図2は、テープの平面図であり、そのテープ7の表面8またはメモリ9、あるいは表面8とメモリ9が蓄光可能な塗料で印刷されているのである。

【0018】図3は、テープ巻取りドラムの正面図であり、(a)は、巻胴の両端に鐐を備えるテープ巻取りドラムで、テープ巻取りドラム5は軸4に支持される。51はテープ7を巻回する巻胴54の両端に設けられている鐐、52はテープ巻取りバネ6の収納部の蓋である。

(b)は、蓋体に鐐を備えるテープ巻取りドラムで、テープ巻取りバネ6の収納部の蓋の径をテープ巻取りドラム5の径とほぼ同じにして、巻胴54の鐐を兼用するものである。53が鐐である。

【0019】図4は、巻尺ケースの構成図であり、

(a)は、左右のハーフケースから構成された巻尺ケースで、一般には本形態のケースが主流である。2は右ハーフケース、3は左ハーフケースであり、11はテープ出入口となる開口である。(b)は、3ピース構成の巻尺ケースで、前壁121と底壁122と図では示していないが前壁121の後ろに位置する後壁を有する周回壁12と、左右の周縁部に係合する右側壁13および左側壁14とから形成されている。11はテープ出入口となる開口である。図で示したものは一例であり、例えば、右側壁13および左側壁14が板状に近いものであってもよい。すなわち、3ピースの部品から構成されるケースを指すものである。

【0020】図5は、照明装置を設けた巻尺の側面図であり、15は支持軸18により格納可能に構成された照明装置で、発光体にLED16が用いられており明暗センサー17により暗い場所での作業時に自動的にLED16が発光する。また、図には示していないがLED16の電源としてボタン電池が用いられている。(a)は、照明装置を格納した状態で、(b)は、照明装置を出した状態を示すものである。

【0021】

【効果】本発明の巻尺は、テープの表面またはメモリが蓄光塗料で印刷されているので、昼間の太陽光線等の光をその蓄光塗料に蓄えることができ、巻尺が夜間また暗い所で使用される時にはその蓄えた光が発光するため、テープ表面のメモリを判読することができる。すなわちテープの表面またはメモリが発光するため、測定に際しテープの最小メモリをも容易に読み取ることができる。

【0022】また、照明装置を備えるものは、蓄光塗料に蓄えた光量が少ないとき蓄光塗料の発光を補助するこ

とができる。そして、照明装置の発光体もLEDであるため、使用の際の衝撃にも強く且つ消費電力も小さいため電池の消耗も少なく、よってメンテナンス性を向上させることができる。

【図面の簡単な説明】

【図1】 本発明に係わる巻尺の斜視図

【図2】 テープの平面図

【図3】 テープ巻取りドラムの正面図

(a) 巻胴の両端に鍔を備えるテープ巻取りドラム

(b) 蓋体に鍔を備えるテープ巻取りドラム

【図4】 巻尺ケースの構成図

(a) 左右のハーフケースから構成された巻尺ケース

(b) 3ピース構成の巻尺ケース

【図5】 照明装置を設けた巻尺の側面図

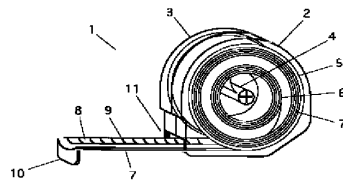
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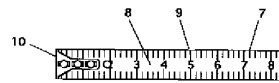
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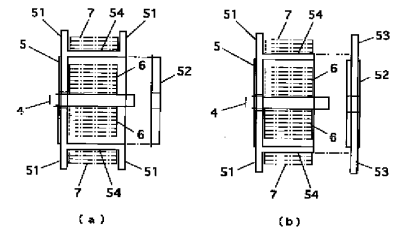
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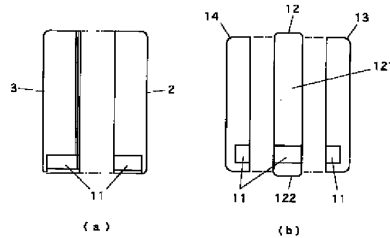
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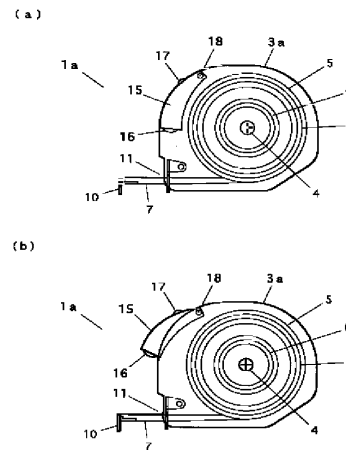
【図3】



【図4】



【図5】



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Information Disclosure Statement

2. The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on May 3, 2021 is being considered by the examiner.

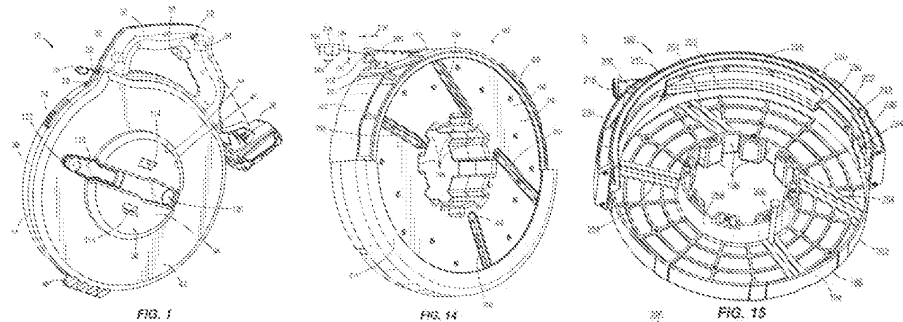
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4. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103 which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

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5. Claims 1-20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being unpatentable over Miller et al. (US 2019/0292005 A1) in view of Farretta (US 6,293,519 B1).

Miller et al. teaches a fish tape assembly comprising:



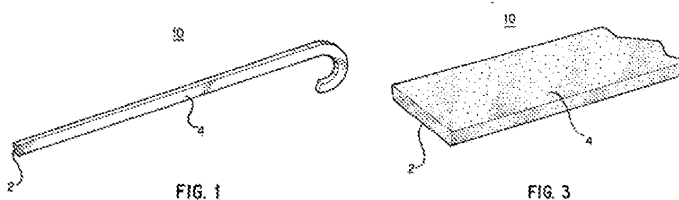
With regard to claims 1, 7 and 16, a fish tape (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, fish tape 196) having a length extending from a first end (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, moving end 218) to a second end (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, anchor end, which is opposite of the moving end 218 and secured to the pin 266); and a donut shaped case (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, fish tape drum 182) having a pair of sidewalls (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, first and second clamshells 190 and 194) extending between a radially innermost wall (FIG. 15 in view of FIG. 1, inner wall 258) and a radially outermost wall (FIG. 15 in view of FIG. 1, outer wall 262), the outermost wall (FIG. 15 in view of FIG. 1, outer wall 262) having an annular opening (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, the rim of the fish tape drum 182) extending around a circumference of one of the inner and outer walls (FIG. 15 in view of FIG. 1, inner wall 258 and outer wall 262), the sidewalls (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, first and second clamshells 190 and 194) being spaced from each other to define a fish tape storage compartment (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, drum portion 186) that stores the length of fish tape (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, fish tape 196) for deployment via the annular opening (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, the rim of the fish tape drum 182) in the case (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, fish tape drum 182); wherein at least one of the sidewalls (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, first clamshell 190) of the case (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, fish tape drum 182) is transparent to allow the luminescent material to be energized by light passing through the at least one of the sidewalls

(FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, first clamshell 190) (For more details please read: Abstract; and paragraphs: [0047]-[0050] and [0066]-[0072]).

Miller et al. teaches all that is claimed as discussed in the above rejection of claims 1-7 and 10-14 including the length extending from a first end (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, moving end 218) to a second end (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, anchor end, which is opposite of the moving end 218 and secured to the pin 266), but it does not specifically teach the following feature:

- The length of the fish tape comprising a luminescent material that emits light after being energized by exposure to a light source.

Farretta teaches a luminous snake comprising:



With regard to claims 1, 7 and 16, fish tape (FIG. 1, flexible core strip 2) comprising a luminescent material (FIG. 3 in view of FIG. 1, phosphorescent coating 4) that emits light after being energized by exposure to a light source (From page 9, line 31 to page 10, line 25).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art before the effective filing date of the claimed invention to modify the fish tape assembly of Miller et al. to utilize a fish tape comprising a luminescent material that emits light after being energized by exposure to a light source as taught by Farretta since Farretta teaches that such an arrangement is beneficial to provide a fish tape assembly that is visible and easy to locate in the low light

environments of ducts, wall cavities and other passages used to house electrical wiring as disclosed in column 1, lines 8-13.

With regard to claims 2, 3, 8-10, 13, 18 and 19, as Miller et al. teaches one of the sidewalls (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, first clamshell 190) of the case (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, fish tape drum 182) is transparent, these claims do not appear to contain any additional features which, in combination with the features of any claim to which they refer, meet the requirements in respect of inventive step. The additional features of these claims relate to slight modifications in the switching apparatus according to claims 1, 7 and 16 that lie in the scope of what someone skilled in the art is accustomed to performing based on well-known considerations common and commercially available to those skilled in the art. Therefore, it would be easy for a person skilled in the art to conceive of applying these features to the fish tape assembly of Miller et al. according to claims 1, 7 and 16 to take advantage of the physical property of the transparent material to allow the luminescent material to be energized by light passing through the walls.

With regard to claims 4, 11 and 20, Miller et al. teaches one of the sidewalls (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, first clamshell 190) and portions of the innermost and outermost walls (FIG. 15 in view of FIG. 1, inner wall 258 and outer wall 262) are defined by a first component (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, right half of the fish tape drum 182) of the case (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, fish tape drum 182), and the other of the sidewalls (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, second clamshell 194) and other portions of the innermost and outermost walls (FIG. 15 in view of FIG. 1, inner wall 258 and outer wall 262) are defined by a second component (FIG. 15 in view of FIG. 1, left half of the fish tape drum 182) of the case (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, fish tape drum 182), the first and second components being assembled together to form the storage compartment (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, drum portion 186).

With regard to claims 5 and 14, Miller et al. teaches a handle (FIG. 1, handle 56) engaged with the case (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, fish tape drum 182) for sliding movement along the circumference of the outer wall (FIG. 15 in view of FIG. 1, outer wall 262), the handle (FIG. 1, handle 56) engageable with the fish tape (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, fish tape 196) to deploy the fish tape (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, fish tape 196) from the storage compartment (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, drum portion 186) and to reload the fish tape (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, fish tape 196) into the compartment (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, drum portion 186).

With regard to claims 6 and 15, Miller et al. discloses that the fish tape (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, fish tape 196) comprises the first end (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, moving end 218) to the second end (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, anchor end, which is opposite of the moving end 218 and secured to the pin 266), wherein the anchor end (FIG. 30, anchor end 370) is a connector looped over the pin 266 and welded to itself at a weld point 374. It is noted that these claims do not appear to contain any additional features which, in combination with the features of any claim to which they refer, meet the requirements in respect of inventive step. The additional feature, “a threaded opening in at least one of the first and second ends”, of these claims relates to slight modifications of the connector at the second end (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, anchor end, which is opposite of the moving end 218 and secured to the pin 266) according to claims 1, 7 and 16 that lie in the scope of what someone skilled in the art is accustomed to performing based on well-known considerations common and commercially available to those skilled in the art. Therefore, it would be easy for a person skilled in the art to conceive of applying this feature to the fish tape assembly of Miller et al. according to claims 1, 7 and 16 to take advantage of desirable and exemplary choices for a specific configuration of a threaded opening in at least one of the first and second ends.

With regard to claim 12, at least one of the first and second components (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, right half of the fish tape drum 182) comprises a transparent material (first clamshell 190 is clear plastic) (Paragraph: [0076]).

With regard to claim 17, the storage compartment (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, drum portion 186) has an annular shape bounded by a pair of spaced sidewalls (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, first and second clamshells 190 and 194).

Conclusion

6. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. Applicant's attention is invited to the followings whose inventions disclose similar devices.

- Moffatt et al. (US 2015/0330771 A1) teaches a .
- Patterson (US 2009/0257221 A1) teaches a screw on lighted end attachment for use with a flexible snake.
- Radle et al. (US 2006/0065883 A1) teaches a fish tape assembly used by electricians to pull wire through conduit or other spaces, includes fish tape mounted to fish reel and made of electrically non-conductive material having a rectilinear cross-section.
- Konen (US 2005/0062028 A1) teaches a fish tape handle with continuous belt.
- Tucker (US 6,433,703 B1) teaches a fishing reel signaling device.
- Minobe (US 3,601,330 A) teaches a fish tape with adjustable tape engaging lips.

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L30	2	(L15 L16 L17 L18) AND (((fish flex\$3) adj2 tape) WITH (length size dimension width range distance) WITH (first adj2 (end\$3 terminal point node location)) WITH (second adj2 (end\$3 terminal point node location)))	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 04:44 PM
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L32	4	(L26 L27) AND (((fish flex\$3) adj2 tape) WITH (length size dimension width range distance) WITH (first adj2 (end\$3 terminal point node location)) WITH (second adj2 (end\$3 terminal point node location)))	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL,	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 04:56 PM

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L35	3	L28 AND (((fish flex\$3) adj2 tape) WITH (luminescent adj2 (material substance media medium substrate sheet film micro\$1film seal\$3 coat\$3 protect\$3 layer pad wafer lamina plane cover screen compound)) WITH (light adj2 (source supply generat\$3 pump gun input)))	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 05:12 PM
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		adj2 tape) WITH (luminescent adj2 (material substance media medium substrate sheet film micro\$1film seal\$3 coat\$3 protect\$3 layer pad wafer lamina plane cover screen compound)) WITH (light adj2 (source supply generat\$3 pump gun input)))	USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)				05:12 PM
L37	0	L30 AND (((fish flex\$3) adj2 tape) WITH (luminescent adj2 (material substance media medium substrate sheet film micro\$1film seal\$3 coat\$3 protect\$3 layer pad wafer lamina plane cover screen compound)) WITH (light adj2 (source supply generat\$3 pump gun input)))	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 05:12 PM
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L39	0	L34 AND (((fish flex\$3) adj2 tape) WITH (luminescent adj2 (material substance media medium substrate sheet film micro\$1film seal\$3 coat\$3 protect\$3 layer pad wafer lamina plane cover screen	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL,	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 05:13 PM

		compound)) WITH (light adj2 (source supply generat\$3 pump gun input)))	PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)				
L40	0	(L6 L7 L8 L9 L10 L11 L12 L13 L14) AND (((fish flex\$3) adj2 tape) WITH (luminescent adj2 (material substance media medium substrate sheet film micro\$1film seal\$3 coat\$3 protect\$3 layer pad wafer lamina plane cover screen compound)) WITH (light adj2 (source supply generat\$3 pump gun input)))	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 05:14 PM
L41	0	(L15 L16 L17 L18) AND (((fish flex\$3) adj2 tape) WITH (luminescent adj2 (material substance media medium substrate sheet film micro\$1film seal\$3 coat\$3 protect\$3 layer pad wafer lamina plane cover screen compound)) WITH (light adj2 (source supply generat\$3 pump gun input)))	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 05:15 PM
L42	0	(L19 L20 L21) AND (((fish flex\$3) adj2 tape) WITH (luminescent adj2 (material substance media medium substrate sheet film micro\$1film seal\$3 coat\$3 protect\$3 layer pad wafer lamina plane cover screen compound)) WITH (light adj2 (source supply generat\$3 pump gun input)))	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 05:15 PM
L43	0	(L22 L23 L24 L25 L33) AND (((fish flex\$3) adj2	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT,	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 05:16 PM

		tape) WITH (luminescent adj2 (material substance media medium substrate sheet film micro\$1film seal\$3 coat\$3 protect\$3 layer pad wafer lamina plane cover screen compound)) WITH (light adj2 (source supply generat\$3 pump gun input)))	AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)				
L44	0	(L26 L27) AND (((fish flex\$3) adj2 tape) WITH (luminescent adj2 (material substance media medium substrate sheet film micro\$1film seal\$3 coat\$3 protect\$3 layer pad wafer lamina plane cover screen compound)) WITH (light adj2 (source supply generat\$3 pump gun input)))	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 05:17 PM
L45	3	L35 AND (((donut ring circle doughnut annulus circular annular) adj2 (frame fixture structure form shap\$3 enclose receptacle container holder reservoir enclosure infrastructure chassis housing house framework shell chamber tank envelope box case tube cassette socket body cavity)) WITH (sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH radial\$2 WITH (hole opening aperture orifice outlet entrance port recess window through thru) WITH (circumference perimeter border borderline (boundary adj2 line) delimitation))	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 05:44 PM
L46	4	(L6 L7 L8 L9 L10 L11 L12 L13 L14) AND (((donut ring circle	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY,	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 05:48 PM

		doughnut annulus circular annular) adj2 (frame fixture structure form shap\$3 enclose receptacle container holder reservoir enclosure infrastructure chassis housing house framework shell chamber tank envelope box case tube cassette socket body cavity)) WITH (sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH radial\$2 WITH (hole opening aperture orifice outlet entrance port recess window through thru) WITH (circumference perimeter border borderline (boundary adj2 line) delimitation))	CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)				
L47	1	(L15 L16 L17 L18) AND (((donut ring circle doughnut annulus circular annular) adj2 (frame fixture structure form shap\$3 enclose receptacle container holder reservoir enclosure infrastructure chassis housing house framework shell chamber tank envelope box case tube cassette socket body cavity)) WITH (sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH radial\$2 WITH (hole opening aperture orifice outlet entrance port recess window through thru) WITH (circumference perimeter border borderline (boundary adj2 line) delimitation))	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 05:48 PM
L48	4	(L19 L20 L21) AND (((donut ring circle doughnut annulus circular annular) adj2 (frame fixture structure form shap\$3 enclose receptacle container holder reservoir enclosure infrastructure	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL,	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 05:48 PM

		chassis housing house framework shell chamber tank envelope box case tube cassette socket body cavity)) WITH (sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH radial\$2 WITH (hole opening aperture orifice outlet entrance port recess window through thru) WITH (circumference perimeter border borderline (boundary adj2 line) delimitation))	NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)				
L49	1	(L22 L23 L24 L25 L33) AND (((donut ring circle doughnut annulus circular annular) adj2 (frame fixture structure form shap\$3 enclose receptacle container holder reservoir enclosure infrastructure chassis housing house framework shell chamber tank envelope box case tube cassette socket body cavity)) WITH (sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH radial\$2 WITH (hole opening aperture orifice outlet entrance port recess window through thru) WITH (circumference perimeter border borderline (boundary adj2 line) delimitation))	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 05:49 PM
L50	0	(L26 L27) AND (((donut ring circle doughnut annulus circular annular) adj2 (frame fixture structure form shap\$3 enclose receptacle container holder reservoir enclosure infrastructure chassis housing house framework shell chamber tank envelope box case tube cassette socket body cavity)) WITH (sidewall sidebore bore wall)	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 05:49 PM

		WITH radial\$2 WITH (hole opening aperture orifice outlet entrance port recess window through thru) WITH (circumference perimeter border borderline (boundary adj2 line) delimitation))					
L51	3	L45 AND ((sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH (clear transparent crystal) WITH (luminescent adj2 (material substance media medium substrate sheet film micro\$1film seal\$3 coat\$3 protect\$3 layer pad wafer lamina plane cover screen compound)) WITH light)	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 05:58 PM
L52	0	L46 AND ((sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH (clear transparent crystal) WITH (luminescent adj2 (material substance media medium substrate sheet film micro\$1film seal\$3 coat\$3 protect\$3 layer pad wafer lamina plane cover screen compound)) WITH light)	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 05:58 PM
L53	0	L47 AND ((sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH (clear transparent crystal) WITH (luminescent adj2 (material substance media medium substrate sheet film micro\$1film seal\$3 coat\$3 protect\$3 layer pad wafer lamina plane cover screen compound)) WITH light)	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 05:58 PM

L54	0	L48 AND ((sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH (clear transparent crystal) WITH (luminescent adj2 (material substance media medium substrate sheet film micro\$1film seal\$3 coat\$3 protect\$3 layer pad wafer lamina plane cover screen compound)) WITH light)	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 05:58 PM
L55	0	L49 AND ((sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH (clear transparent crystal) WITH (luminescent adj2 (material substance media medium substrate sheet film micro\$1film seal\$3 coat\$3 protect\$3 layer pad wafer lamina plane cover screen compound)) WITH light)	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 05:59 PM
L56	20	(((fish flex\$3) adj2 tape) WITH (length size dimension width range distance) WITH (first adj2 (end\$3 terminal point node location)) WITH (second adj2 (end\$3 terminal point node location))) AND @ad<"20191126"	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 06:00 PM
L58	6920	(((donut ring circle doughnut annulus circular annular) adj2 (frame fixture structure form shap\$3 enclose receptacle container holder reservoir enclosure infrastructure chassis housing house	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL,	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 06:00 PM

		framework shell chamber tank envelope box case tube cassette socket body cavity)) WITH (sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH radial\$2 WITH (hole opening aperture orifice outlet entrance port recess window through thru) WITH (circumference perimeter border borderline (boundary adj2 line) delimitation)) AND @ad<"20191126"	NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)				
L59	831	((sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH (clear transparent crystal) WITH (luminescent adj2 (material substance media medium substrate sheet film micro\$1film seal\$3 coat\$3 protect\$3 layer pad wafer lamina plane cover screen compound)) WITH light) AND @ad<"20191126"	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 06:01 PM
L60	0	((fish flex\$3) adj2 tape) WITH luminescent WITH (light adj2 (source supply generat\$3 pump gun input))) AND @ad<"20191126"	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 06:02 PM
L61	0	((fish flex\$3) adj2 tape) WITH luminescen\$2 WITH (light adj2 (source supply generat\$3 pump gun input))) AND @ad<"20191126"	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL,	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 06:03 PM

			NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)				
L62	0	((fish flex\$3) adj2 tape) WITH (luminescent adj2 (material substance media medium substrate sheet film micro\$1film seal\$3 coat\$3 protect\$3 layer pad wafer lamina plane cover screen compound)) WITH (light adj2 (source supply generat\$3 pump gun input))) AND @ad<"20191126"	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 06:04 PM
L63	0	L56 AND I58 AND L59	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 06:05 PM
L64	0	L56 AND L58	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 06:05 PM
L65	0	L56 AND L59	(US-PGPUB; USPAT;	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31

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L66	0	L58 AND L59	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 06:05 PM
L68	193	((snak\$3 tap\$3 chain) WITH ((luminescen\$3 luminous phosphorescent visible) adj2 (material substance media medium substrate sheet film micro\$1film seal\$3 coat\$3 protect\$3 layer pad wafer lamina plane cover screen compound)) WITH (light adj2 (source supply generat\$3 pump gun input))) AND @ad<"20191126"	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 11:13 PM
L69	17561	((snak\$3 tap\$3 chain) WITH (length size dimension width range distance) WITH (first adj2 (end\$3 terminal point node location)) WITH (second adj2 (end\$3 terminal point node location))) AND @ad<"20191126"	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL,	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 11:14 PM

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L70	1570	((sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH (clear transparent crystal) WITH ((luminescen\$3 luminous phosphorescent visible) adj2 (material substance media medium substrate sheet film micro\$1film seal\$3 coat\$3 protect\$3 layer pad wafer lamina plane cover screen compound)) WITH light) AND @ad<"20191126"	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 11:22 PM
L71	6920	((((donut ring circle doughnut annulus circular annular) adj2 (frame fixture structure form shap\$3 enclose receptacle container holder reservoir enclosure infrastructure chassis housing house framework shell chamber tank envelope box case tube cassette socket body cavity)) WITH (sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH radial\$2 WITH (hole opening aperture orifice outlet entrance port recess window through thru) WITH (circumference perimeter border borderline (boundary adj2 line) delimitation)) AND @ad<"20191126"	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 11:25 PM
L72	0	L68 AND L69 AND L70 AND L71	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL,	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 11:26 PM

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L74	0	L68 AND L69 AND L71	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 11:27 PM
L75	0	L68 AND L70 AND L71	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 11:27 PM
L76	0	L69 AND L70 AND L71	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT,	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 11:27 PM

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L77	0	L68 AND L69	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 11:27 PM
L78	2	L68 AND L70	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 11:27 PM
L79	0	L68 AND L71	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE,	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 11:28 PM

			SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)				
L80	0	L69 AND L70	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 11:28 PM
L81	8	L69 AND L71	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 11:28 PM
L82	0	L70 AND L71	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 11:28 PM
L86	5	("7565751" OR "20080086902").pn.	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY,	OR	ON	ON	2022/06/01 10:34 AM

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L87	32	("3,606,402" OR "3,600,011" OR "3,181,897").pn.	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/06/01 12:06 PM
L88	938	((snak\$3 tap\$3 chain reel bobbin spool winder roll\$3 rotat\$3 spin\$4) WITH ((luminescen\$3 luminous phosphorescent visible) adj2 (material substance media medium substrate sheet film micro\$1film seal\$3 coat\$3 protect\$3 layer pad wafer lamina plane cover screen compound)) WITH (light adj2 (source supply generat\$3 pump gun input))) AND @ad<"20191126"	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/06/01 12:14 PM
L89	96735	((snak\$3 tap\$3 chain reel bobbin spool winder roll\$3 rotat\$3 spin\$) WITH (length size dimension width range distance) WITH (first adj2 (end\$3 terminal point node location)) WITH	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL,	OR	ON	ON	2022/06/01 01:53 PM

		(second adj2 (end\$3 terminal point node location))) AND @ad<"20191126"	NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)				
L90	512681	(((((feed\$3 guid\$3 fish\$3 push\$3 pull\$3 direct\$3 rout\$3) near2 (lead conduct\$3 strip\$3 wir\$3 cord\$3 cabl\$3 line trace (transmiss\$5 adj2 (line medium path channel link trace wir\$3)))) WITH (cavity ceiling trusses attic trailer studs conduit pipe wall frame region space structure)) WITH (snak\$3 tap\$3 chain reel bobbin spool winder roll\$3 rotat\$3 spin\$)) AND @ad<"20191126"	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/06/01 02:03 PM
L91	350596	((((donut ring circle doughnut annulus circular annular) adj2 (frame fixture structure form shap\$3 enclose receptacle container holder reservoir enclosure infrastructure chassis housing house framework shell chamber tank envelope box case tube cassette socket body cavity)) WITH (sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH (innermost inner inward inmost) WITH (outermost outer outmost)) AND @ad<"20191126"	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/06/01 02:09 PM
L92	0	L88 AND L89 AND L90 AND L91	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH,	OR	ON	ON	2022/06/01 02:10 PM

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L93	0	L88 AND L89 AND L90	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/06/01 02:10 PM
L94	0	L88 AND L89 AND L91	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/06/01 02:11 PM
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L96	64	L89 AND L90 AND L91	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU,	OR	ON	ON	2022/06/01 02:11 PM

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L104	61549	((snak\$3 tap\$3 chain reel bobbin spool winder roll\$3 rotat\$3 spin\$) adj2 (assembly unit system device	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA,	OR	ON	ON	2022/06/01 03:41 PM

		apparatus machine mechanism means module instrument tool equipment structure arrangement)) WITH (((feed\$3 guid\$3 fish\$3 push\$3 pull\$3 direct\$3 rout\$3) near2 (lead conduct\$3 strip\$3 wir\$3 cord\$3 cabl\$3 line trace (transmiss\$5 adj2 (line medium path channel link trace wir\$3)))) WITH (cavity ceiling trusses attic trailer studs conduit pipe wall frame region space structure)))) AND @ad<"20191126"	EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)				
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L106	772	(((donut ring circle doughnut annulus circular annular) adj2 (frame fixture structure form shap\$3 enclose receptacle container holder reservoir enclosure infrastructure chassis housing house framework shell chamber tank envelope box case tube cassette socket body cavity)) WITH (sidewall sidebore) WITH ((innermost inner inward inmost) adj2 (bore wall)) WITH ((outermost outer outmost) adj2 (bore wall)))) AND @ad<"20191126"	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/06/01 03:44 PM

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L108	185	((donut ring circle doughnut annulus circular annular) adj2 (frame fixture structure form shap\$3 enclose receptacle container holder reservoir enclosure infrastructure chassis housing house framework shell chamber tank envelope box case tube cassette socket body cavity)) WITH (sidewall sidebore) WITH ((innermost inner inward inmost) adj2 (bore wall)) WITH ((outermost outer outmost) adj2 (bore wall)) WITH (snak\$3 tap\$3 chain reel bobbin spool winder roll\$3 rotat\$3 spin\$)) AND @ad<"20191126"	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/06/01 03:46 PM
L109	17134851	((frame fixture structure form shap\$3 enclose receptacle container holder reservoir enclosure infrastructure chassis housing house framework shell chamber tank envelope box case tube cassette socket body cavity) WITH (sav\$3 stor\$3 put\$4 load\$3 preserv\$3 contain\$3 deposit\$3 receiv\$3 reserv\$3 fill\$3 stock\$3 wind\$3 wrap\$4 roll\$3) WITH (tape lead	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/06/01 09:49 PM

		conduct\$3 strip\$3 wir\$3 cord\$3 cabl\$3 line trace (transmiss\$5 adj2 (line medium path channel link trace wir\$3)))) AND @ad<"20191126"					
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L112	168	((((donut ring circle doughnut annulus circular annular) adj2 (frame fixture structure form shap\$3 enclose receptacle container holder reservoir enclosure infrastructure chassis housing house framework shell chamber tank envelope box case tube cassette socket body cavity)) WITH (tape lead conduct\$3 strip\$3 wir\$3 cord\$3 cabl\$3 line trace (transmiss\$5 adj2 (line medium path channel link trace wir\$3)))) WITH	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/06/01 10:08 PM

		(sidewall sidebore) WITH ((innermost inner inward inmost) adj2 (bore wall)) WITH ((outermost outer outmost) adj2 (bore wall))) AND @ad<"20191126"					
L113	793217	((snak\$3 tap\$3 chain reel bobbin spool winder roll\$3 rotat\$3 spin\$) adj2 (assembly unit system device apparatus machine mechanism means module instrument tool equipment structure arrangement)) .ti.) AND @ad<"20191126"	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/06/01 10:13 PM
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L118	97966	((snak\$3 tap\$3 reel) adj2 (assembly unit system device apparatus machine mechanism means module instrument tool equipment structure arrangement)) .ti.) AND @ad<"20191126"	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/06/01 11:12 PM
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L130	2	L128 AND (sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH (clear transparent crystal)	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/06/02 08:14 AM
L131	2	L128 AND (clear transparent crystal)	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT,	OR	ON	ON	2022/06/02 08:49 AM

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L132	3	L126 AND (clear transparent crystal)	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2022/06/02 08:50 AM
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		box case tube cassette socket body cavity) near2 (clear transparent crystal visible visual\$5 Translucent))	SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)				
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				Operator		Equivalents	
N1	2	((fish flex\$3 adj2 tape) WITH (length size dimension width range distance) WITH (first adj2 (end\$3 terminal point node location)) WITH (second adj2 (end\$3 terminal point node location))).clm.	(US-PGPUB; USPAT)	OR	ON	ON	2022/05/31 09:03 PM
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		compound)) WITH (light adj2 (source supply generat\$3 pump gun input))).clm.					
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Response

Sir, in response to the Office Action 06/08/2022, Applicant hereby responds as follows:

Remarks/Arguments

Claims 1-20 are pending and at issue.

The rejection of claims 1-20 as unpatentable over Miller et al. (US 2019/0292005 A1) in view of Farretta (US 6,293,519) is respectfully traversed. The rejection is based on clear mischaracterization of the disclosure of Miller et al., and on a failure to establish a prima facie case of obvious as required by the MPEP.

More specifically, the rejection of all the claims is based on a mischaracterization of the disclosure of Miller et al. In this regard, the rejection asserts that Miller et al. discloses “at least one of the sidewalls (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, first clamshell 190) of the case (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, fish tape drum 182) is transparent to allow luminescent material to be energized by light passing through the at least one of the sidewalls (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, first clamshell 190) (For more details please read: Abstract; and paragraphs [0047]-[0050] and [0066]-[0072])” (emphasis added). Contrary to this assertion, there is nothing in Miller et al. that even hints at a transparent sidewall, let alone teaches a transparent sidewall, let alone further teaches such a sidewall that allows a luminescent material to be energized by light passing through such a sidewall. In this regard, it is further noted that the undersigned can find nothing in the figures and description cited in the rejection (FIG. 14, FIG. 1, the Abstract, and/or paragraphs [0047]-[0050] and [0066]-[0072]) that supports the rejections assertion that the clamshell 190 and/or fish tape drum 182 is transparent as asserted in the rejection. Further in this regard, it is noted that all the figures portray the drum 182 and clamshell 190 as being opaque rather than transparent, with not a single figure, or even a portion of a single figure, being illustrated to show a transparent wall. Indeed, FIGS. 14 and 19 show that the clamshell 190 blocks the view of the interior except where the interior can be view through the slots 250 that extend through the clamshell 190. Farretta also fails to disclose or suggest transparent structures as recited in the claims. Additionally, the rejection expressly admits that Miller et al. fails to disclose a luminescent material as recited in the rejected claims, which is contrary to the assertion in the rejection that Miller et al. discloses a sidewall that is “transparent to allow luminescent material to be energized by light passing through” the sidewall (emphasis added). For these reasons, taken alone or together, Miller at al. and Farretta fail to disclose and/or suggest all the limitations

recited in each of the rejected claims and the rejection of claims 1-20 is improper and should be withdrawn.

Because Miller et al. fails to disclose a transparent structure as recited in the claims, there is no support for a modification of Miller et al. by adding the luminescent material of Farretta. Accordingly, the rejection also fails to establish a prima facie case of obviousness as required by the MPEP (See sections 2142-2144) and for this additional reason alone the rejection of all the claims should be withdrawn.

Specifically with respect to the rejection of claims 2, 3, 8-10, 13, 18, and 19, the rejection depends on an “inventive step” standard that isn’t required under U.S. patent law. Additionally, the rejection discusses a “switching apparatus” structure that isn’t recited in any of the rejected claims. Further, the rejection fails to cite any prior art teaching the additional structure recited in each of claims 2, 3, 8-10, 13, 18, and 19. To the extent the rejection is asserting inherency or that such structure is well known, the assertion is hereby traversed and it is expressly requested that the Examiner provide evidence to support such assertions in any future rejection of the claims. Furthermore, to the extent the rejection attempts to address the structure recited in each of the rejected claims, the attempts are all based on the erroneous assertion that Miller et al. discloses a transparent sidewall. For each of these reasons, taken alone or together, the rejection fails to establish a prima facie case of obviousness against claims 2, 3, 8-10, 13, 18, 19 as required by MPEP sections 2142-44 et seq. Accordingly, the rejection of claims 2, 3, 8-10, 13, 18 and 19 is improper and should be withdrawn.

Specifically with respect to the rejection of claims 5 and 14, the rejection is based on a mischaracterization of Miller et al. In this regard, the rejection asserts that Miller et al. teaches that its handle 56 is engageable with the fish tape 196 to deploy the fish tape from the storage compartment and to reload the fish tape into the compartment. Contrary to this assertion, the handle 56 of Miller et al. is not engageable with the fish tape, let alone engageable to deploy or reload the fish tape into a compartment as recited in the rejected claims. In this regard, Miller et al. is specifically directed to a motor driven fish tape device wherein the handle 56 does not engage the fish tape, let alone engage the fish tape to deploy or reload the fish tape. Farretta adds nothing in this regard. Accordingly, taken alone or together, Miller et al. and Farretta fail to

disclose or suggest all of the structure recited in claims 5 and 14 and for this reason alone the rejection of claims 5 and 14 should be withdrawn.

To the extent that a future office action repeats an assertion that Miller et al. discloses transparent structures as recited in the pending claims, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner provide a specific quotation of any language in Miller et al. and an identification of the specific parts of each figure of Miller et al. that the Examiner believes supports the assertion, together with a detailed explanation of how the quoted language and/or identified parts of each figure disclose the transparent structure recited in the claims.

If there are any other issues remaining which the Examiner believes could be resolved through either a Supplemental Response or an Examiner's Amendment, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

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DETAILED ACTION

Notice of Pre-AIA or AIA Status

1. The present application, filed on or after March 16, 2013, is being examined under the first inventor to file provisions of the AIA.

Response to Amendment

2. Receipt is acknowledged of the Amendment filed on September 8, 2022. Accordingly, claims 1-20 are currently pending in the application.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

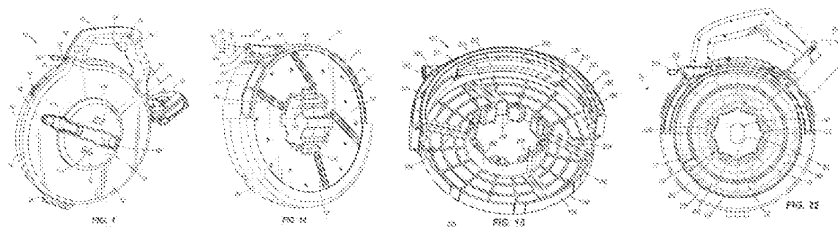
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4. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103 which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

A patent for a claimed invention may not be obtained, notwithstanding that the claimed invention is not identically disclosed as set forth in section 102, if the differences between the claimed invention and the prior art are such that the claimed invention as a whole would have been obvious before the effective filing date of the claimed invention to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which the claimed invention pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

5. Claims 1-20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being unpatentable over Miller et al. (US 2019/0292005 A1) in view of Farretta (US 6,293,519 B1).

Miller et al. teaches a fish tape assembly comprising:



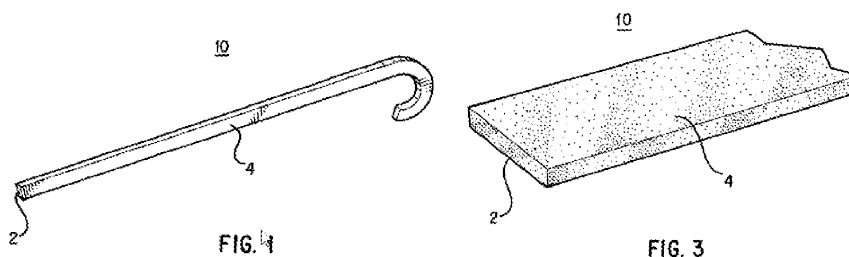
With regard to claims 1, 7 and 16, a fish tape (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, fish tape 196) having a length extending from a first end (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, moving end 218) to a second end (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, anchor end, which is opposite of the moving end 218 and secured to the pin 266); and a donut shaped case (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, fish tape drum 182) having a pair of sidewalls (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, first and second clamshells 190 and 194) extending between a radially innermost wall (FIG. 15 in view of FIG. 1, inner wall 258) and a radially outermost wall (FIG. 15 in view of FIG. 1, outer wall 262), the outermost wall (FIG. 15 in view of FIG. 1, outer wall 262) having an annular opening (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, the rim of the fish tape drum 182) extending around a circumference of one of the inner and outer walls (FIG. 15 in view of FIG. 1, inner wall 258 and outer wall 262), the sidewalls (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, first and second clamshells 190 and 194) being spaced from each other to define a fish tape storage compartment (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, drum portion 186) that stores the length of fish tape (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, fish tape 196) for deployment via the annular opening (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, the rim of the fish tape drum 182) in the case (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, fish tape drum 182); wherein at least one of the sidewalls (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1 and FIG. 22, first clamshell 190, which is clear plastic) of the case (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, fish tape drum 182) is transparent to allow the luminescent material to be energized by light passing through the at least one of the sidewalls (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1 and FIG. 22, first clamshell

190, which is clear plastic as disclosed in paragraph [0076]) (For more details please read: Abstract; and paragraphs: [0047]-[0050] and [0066]-[0076]).

Miller et al. teaches all that is claimed as discussed above including fish tape (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, fish tape 196) having a length extending from a first end (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, moving end 218) to a second end (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, anchor end, which is opposite of the moving end 218 and secured to the pin 266), but it does not specifically teach the following feature:

- The length of the fish tape comprising a luminescent material that emits light after being energized by exposure to a light source.

Farretta teaches a luminous snake comprising:



With regard to claims 1, 7 and 16, fish tape (FIG. 1, flexible core strip 2) comprising a luminescent material (FIG. 3 in view of FIG. 1, phosphorescent coating 4) that emits light after being energized by exposure to a light source (From page 9, line 31 to page 10, line 25).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art before the effective filing date of the claimed invention to modify the fish tape assembly of Miller et al. to utilize a fish tape comprising a luminescent material that emits light after being energized by exposure to a light source as taught by Farretta since Farretta teaches that such an arrangement is beneficial to provide a fish tape assembly that is visible and easy to locate in the low light

environments of ducts, wall cavities and other passages used to house electrical wiring as disclosed in column 1, lines 8-13.

With regard to claims 2, 3, 8-10, 13, 18 and 19, as Miller et al. in view of Farretta teaches one of the sidewalls (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1 and FIG. 22, first clamshell 190, which is clear plastic) of the case (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, fish tape drum 182) is transparent to allow the luminescent material to be energized by light passing through the at least one of the sidewalls, these claims do not appear to contain any additional features which, in combination with the features of any claim to which they refer, meet the requirements in respect of inventive step. The additional features of these claims relate to slight modifications in the fish tape assembly according to claims 1, 7 and 16 that lie in the scope of what someone skilled in the art is accustomed to performing based on well-known considerations common and commercially available to those skilled in the art. Therefore, it would be easy for a person skilled in the art to conceive of applying these features to the fish tape assembly of Miller et al. according to claims 1, 7 and 16 to take advantage of the physical property of the transparent material to allow the luminescent material to be energized by light passing through the walls.

With regard to claims 4, 11 and 20, Miller et al. teaches one of the sidewalls (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1 and FIG. 22, first clamshell 190, which is clear plastic) and portions of the innermost and outermost walls (FIG. 15 in view of FIG. 1, inner wall 258 and outer wall 262) are defined by a first component (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, right half of the fish tape drum 182) of the case (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, fish tape drum 182), and the other of the sidewalls (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, second clamshell 194) and other portions of the innermost and outermost walls (FIG. 15 in view of FIG. 1, inner wall 258 and outer wall 262) are defined by a second component (FIG. 15 in view of FIG. 1, left half of the fish tape drum 182) of the case (FIG. 14 in

view of FIG. 1, fish tape drum 182), the first and second components being assembled together to form the storage compartment (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, drum portion 186).

With regard to claims 5 and 14, Miller et al. teaches a handle (FIG. 1, handle 56) engaged with the case (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, fish tape drum 182) for sliding movement along the circumference of the outer wall (FIG. 15 in view of FIG. 1, outer wall 262), the handle (FIG. 1, handle 56) engageable with the fish tape (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, fish tape 196) to deploy the fish tape (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, fish tape 196) from the storage compartment (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, drum portion 186) and to reload the fish tape (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, fish tape 196) into the compartment (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, drum portion 186).

With regard to claims 6 and 15, Miller et al. discloses that the fish tape (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, fish tape 196) comprises the first end (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, moving end 218) to the second end (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, anchor end, which is opposite of the moving end 218 and secured to the pin 266), wherein the anchor end (FIG. 30, anchor end 370) is a connector looped over the pin 266 and welded to itself at a weld point 374. It is noted that these claims do not appear to contain any additional features which, in combination with the features of any claim to which they refer, meet the requirements in respect of inventive step. The additional feature, “a threaded opening in at least one of the first and second ends”, of these claims relates to slight modifications of the connector at the second end (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, anchor end, which is opposite of the moving end 218 and secured to the pin 266) according to claims 1, 7 and 16 that lie in the scope of what someone skilled in the art is accustomed to performing based on well-known considerations common and commercially available to those skilled in the art. Therefore, it would be easy for a person skilled in the art to conceive of applying this feature to the fish tape assembly of Miller et al. according to claims 1, 7 and 16 to take advantage of

desirable and exemplary choices for a specific configuration of a threaded opening in at least one of the first and second ends.

With regard to claim 12, at least one of the first and second components (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, right half of the fish tape drum 182) comprises a transparent material (first clamshell 190 is clear plastic) (Paragraph: [0076]).

With regard to claim 17, the storage compartment (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, drum portion 186) has an annular shape bounded by a pair of spaced sidewalls (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 1, first and second clamshells 190 and 194).

Response to Arguments

6. Applicant's arguments filed September 8, 2022 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

It is noted that, the term "transparent" (transmitting light; able to be seen through with clarity: <https://www.wordwebonline.com/search.pl/?w=transparent>) as recited in the rejected claims at issue was given its broadest reasonable interpretation of "clear" (allowing light to pass through: <https://www.wordwebonline.com/search.pl/?w=clear>), which is common and consistent with the interpretation that those skilled in the art would reach.

In response to applicant's argument in the third paragraph at page 2 of 4 that "Contrary to this assertion, there is nothing in Miller et al. that even hints at a transparent sidewall, let alone teaches a transparent sidewall, let alone further teaches such a sidewall that allows a luminescent material to be energized by light passing through such a sidewall", the Examiner disagrees.

Miller et al. clearly discloses in paragraph [0076] and FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 22 that the first clamshell 190 of the fish tape drum 182 is a side wall and clear plastic, which reads on the

limitation “at least one of the sidewalls of the case is transparent to allow the luminescent material to be energized by light passing through the at least one of the sidewalls” as recited in the rejected claims at issue. In addition, it is advisable for the applicant to review the whole reference, not only the cited portions, to fully understand the cited structure.

In response to applicant’s argument in the first paragraph at page 3 of 4 that “Because Miller et al. fails to disclose a transparent structure as recited in the claims, there is no support for a modification of Miller et al. by adding the luminescent material of Farretta”, the Examiner disagrees.

As discussed right above, Miller et al. discloses a transparent structure (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 22, first clamshell 190, which is clear plastic (Paragraph: [0076])) as recited in the claims. Therefore, a modification of Miller et al. by adding the luminescent material that emits light after being energized by exposure to a light source as taught by Farretta is still deemed proper.

In response to applicant’s argument in the second paragraph at page 3 of 4 that “Additionally, the rejection discusses a ‘switching apparatus’ structure that isn’t recited in any of the rejected claims”, the Examiner admits that the phrase “switching apparatus” has been inadvertently inserted in the passage. Therefore, the “switching apparatus” has been replaced with -- fish tape assembly -- in the rejection of claims 2, 3, 8-10, 13, 18 and 19.

In response to applicant’s arguments in the second paragraph at page 3 of 4 that “Furthermore, to the extent the rejection attempts to address the structure recited in each of the rejected claims, the attempts are all based on the erroneous assertion that Miller et al. discloses a transparent sidewall” and “Accordingly, the rejection of claims 2, 3, 8-10, 13, 18 and 19 is improper and should be withdrawn”, the Examiner disagrees.

As discussed right above, Miller et al. discloses a transparent structure (FIG. 14 in view of FIG. 22, first clamshell 190 , which is clear plastic (Paragraph: [0076])) as recited in the claims. Therefore, the rejection of claims 2, 3, 8-10, 13, 18 and 19 is still deemed improper.

In response to applicant's arguments in the last paragraph at page 3 of 4 that "Contrary to this assertion, the handle 56 of Miller et al. is not engageable with the fish tape, let alone engageable to deploy or reload the fish tape into a compartment as recited in the rejected claims", the Examiner disagrees.

Miller et al. clearly discloses in paragraph [0049] and FIG. 14 in view of FIGS. 1 and 2 that the handle 56 includes a trigger 58 for actuating the motor 18 and a directional shuttle 62 that can slide between a dispensing position and a retracting position such that the fish tape 32 is dispensed from and retracted into the fish tape drum 30, respectively. That is, the handle 56 is engageable with the fish tape 32 via the trigger 58, the motor 18 and the directional shuttle 62. Therefore, the combination of Miller et al. and Farretta is still deemed improper.

With regard to claims 2-6, 8-15 and 17-20, all of applicant's arguments are addressed by the above rejections.

Conclusion

7. **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL.** Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period

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will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

CONTACT INFORMATION

8. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to HOAI-AN D. NGUYEN whose telephone number is (571) 272-2170. The examiner can normally be reached MON-THURS (7:00 AM - 5:00 PM).

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, PATRICK J. ASSOUD can be reached on 571-272-2210. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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		holder reservoir enclosure infrastructure chassis housing house framework shell chamber tank envelope box case tube cassette socket body cavity)) WITH (sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH radial\$2 WITH (hole opening aperture orifice outlet entrance port recess window through thru) WITH (circumference perimeter border borderline (boundary adj2 line) delimitation))	NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)				
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		WITH (sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH radial\$2 WITH (hole opening aperture orifice outlet entrance port recess window through thru) WITH (circumference perimeter border borderline (boundary adj2 line) delimitation))	JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)				
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		substrate sheet film micro\$1film seal\$3 coat\$3 protect\$3 layer pad wafer lamina plane cover screen compound)) WITH light) AND @ad<"20191126" AND @pd>"20220531"	HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)				
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N15	1	(((fish flex\$3) adj2 tape) WITH (length size dimension width range distance) WITH (first adj2 (end\$3 terminal point node location)) WITH (second adj2 (end\$3 terminal point node location))).clm.) AND @pd>"20220531"	(US-PGPUB; USPAT)	OR	ON	ON	2022/09/19 03:37 PM
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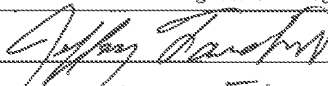
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Response

Sir, in response to the Office Action dated 9/26/2022 Applicant hereby responds as follows:

Amendments to the Claims

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently amended) A fish tape system comprising:
 - a fish tape having a length extending from a first end to a second end, the length of the fish tape comprising a luminescent material that emits light after being energized by exposure to a light source; ~~and~~
 - a donut shaped case having a pair of sidewalls extending between a radially innermost wall and a radially outermost wall, the outermost wall having an annular opening extending around a circumference of the outer wall, the sidewalls being spaced from each other to define a fish tape storage compartment that stores the length of fish tape for deployment via the annular opening in the case; and
 - a handle engaged with the fish tape and mounted to slide within the annular opening of the case around the entire circumference of the outer wall to deploy the fish tape from the storage compartment and to reload the fish tape into the compartment;
 - wherein at least one of the sidewalls of the case is transparent to allow the luminescent material to be energized by light passing through the at least one of the sidewalls.
2. The fish tape system of claim 1 wherein both of the sidewalls of the case are transparent to allow the luminescent material to be energized by light passing through the sidewalls.
3. The fish tape system of claim 2 wherein at least one of the innermost and outermost walls is transparent to allow the luminescent material to be energized by light passing through the sidewalls.
4. The fish tape system of claim 1 wherein one of the sidewalls and portions of the innermost and outermost walls are defined by a first component of the case, and the other of the sidewalls and other portions of the innermost and outermost walls are defined by a second component of the case, the first and second components being assembled together to form the storage compartment.
5. (Canceled)

6. The fish tape system of claim 1 wherein the fish tape further comprises a threaded opening in at least one of the first and second ends.

7. (Currently amended) A fish tape system comprising:

a fish tape having a length extending from a first end to a second end, the length of the fish tape comprising a luminescent material that emits light after being energized by exposure to a light source; ~~and~~

a donut shaped case having a pair of sidewalls extending between a radially innermost wall and a radially outermost wall, an annular opening extending around a circumference of one of the inner and outer walls, the sidewalls being spaced from each other to define a fish tape storage compartment that stores the length of fish tape for deployment via the annular opening in the case; and

a handle engaged with the fish tape and mounted to slide within the annular opening of the case around the entire circumference to deploy the fish tape from the storage compartment and to reload the fish tape into the compartment;

wherein at least a portion of the case is transparent to allow the luminescent material to be energized by light passing through the portion.

8. The fish tape system of claim 7 wherein at least a portion of at least one of the sidewalls of the case is transparent to allow the luminescent material to be energized by light passing through the at least one of the sidewalls.

9. The fish tape system of claim 7 wherein at least portions of both of the sidewalls of the case are transparent to allow the luminescent material to be energized by light passing through the sidewalls.

10. The fish tape system of claim 7 wherein at least portions of all the walls of the case are transparent.

11. The fish tape system of claim 7 wherein one of the sidewalls and portions of the innermost and outermost walls are defined by a first component of the case, and the other of the sidewalls and other portions of the innermost and outermost walls are defined by a second component of the case, the first and second components being assembled together to form the storage compartment.

12. The fish tape system of claim 11 wherein at least one of the first and second components comprises a transparent material.

13. The fish tape system of claim 11 wherein both of the first and second components comprises a transparent material.

14. (Cancelled)

15. The fish tape system of claim 7 wherein the fish tape further comprises a threaded opening in at least one of the first and second ends.

16. (Currently amended) A fish tape system comprising:
a fish tape having a length extending from a first end to a second end, the length of the fish tape comprising a luminescent material that emits light after being energized by exposure to a light source; ~~and~~
a case having a fish tape storage compartment that stores the length of fish tape for deployment and reloading via an annular opening in the case; and
a handle engaged with the fish tape and mounted to slide within the annular opening of the case around an entire circumference of the annular opening to deploy the fish tape from the storage compartment and to reload the fish tape into the compartment;
wherein at least a portion of the case is transparent to allow the luminescent material to be energized by light passing through the portion and into the storage compartment.

17. The fish tape system of claim 16 wherein the storage compartment has an annular shape bounded by a pair of spaced sidewalls.

18. The fish tape system of claim 17 wherein at least a portion of at least one of the sidewalls is transparent.

19. The fish tape system of claim 18 wherein portions of both of the sidewalls are transparent.

20. The fish tape system of claim 16 wherein the case comprises a pair of components that are joined to each other to define the storage compartment, and at least one of the pair of components comprises a transparent material.

Remarks/Arguments

Claims 5 and 14 have been cancelled. Accordingly, claims 1-4, 6-13, and 15-20 are pending and at issue.

Independent claims 1, 7, and 16 have been amended to overcome the Section 103 rejection based on Miller et al. (US 2019/0292005 A1) in view of Farretta (US 6,293,519 B1).

More specifically, independent claims 1, 7, and 16 have been amended to further recite a handle engaged with the fish tape and mounted to slide within the annular opening of the case around an entire circumference to deploy the fish tape from the storage compartment and to reload the fish tape into the compartment. This structure is neither shown nor suggested in Miller et al. which discloses a fish tape tool having a housing with a handle that is fixed to prevent relative movement between the handle and the housing, with the housing being configured to receive fish tape drums that, with each fish tape drum containing a length of fish tape. The housing of Miller et al. doesn't have an annular opening, let alone a handle mounted to slide within such an annular opening to deploy a fish tape from a storage compartment and to reload the fish tape into the compartment. Furthermore, one skilled in the art would not modify Miller et al. to include such a handle because such a modification would completely change the principle of operation of Miller et al. (the use of a housing with a fixed handle, with a output reel that rotates a fish tape drum contained within the housing to deploy a fish tape from the fish tape drum and to reload the fish tape into the fish tape drum), would require a complete reconstruction of the structures disclosed in Miller et al. (the elimination of the housing, the elimination of the output reel, and the addition of a handle to the fish tape drum) and would defeat the purpose of Miller et al. which is to provide a housing that can receive individual fish tape drums and rotate each of those drums within the housing to deploy and retract a fish tape from and into each of the individual fish tape drums. Farretta adds nothing in this regard and in no way suggests that the fish tape tools of Miller et al. should be modified in a way that would completely change the principle of operation of the fish tape tools, or that would require a complete reconstruction of the fish tape tools, or that would defeat the very purpose of the fish tape tools. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the Section 103 rejection of claims 1, 7, and 16 and their dependent claims should be withdrawn and the claims allowed in view of the amendments to claims 1, 7, and 16.

Applicant hereby petitions for any time extension required for consideration of this response and for the Request for Continued Examination filed herewith, The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required for this time extension, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 602056.

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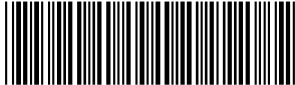
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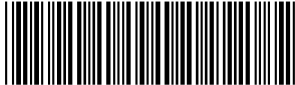
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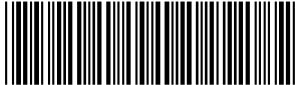
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L212	1	(L199 L200 L201 L202) AND (((fish flex\$3) adj2 tape) WITH (length size dimension width range distance) WITH (first adj2 (end\$3 terminal point node location)) WITH (second adj2 (end\$3 terminal point node location)))	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2023/03/07 08:36 AM
L213	0	(L203 L204 L205) AND (((fish flex\$3) adj2 tape) WITH (length size dimension width range distance) WITH (first adj2 (end\$3 terminal point node location)) WITH (second adj2 (end\$3 terminal point node location)))	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2023/03/07 08:41 AM
L214	4	L210 AND (((fish flex\$3) adj2 tape) WITH (length size dimension width range distance) WITH (first adj2 (end\$3 terminal point node location)) WITH	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS,	OR	ON	ON	2023/03/07 08:41 AM

		(second adj2 (end\$3 terminal point node location)))	IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)				
L215	0	L211 AND (((donut ring circle doughnut annulus circular annular) adj2 (frame fixture structure form shap\$3 enclose receptacle container holder reservoir enclosure infrastructure chassis housing house framework shell chamber tank envelope box case tube cassette socket body cavity)) WITH (sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH radial\$2 WITH (hole opening aperture orifice outlet entrance port recess window through thru) WITH (circumference perimeter border borderline (boundary adj2 line) delimitation))	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2023/03/07 08:59 AM
L216	0	L212 AND (((donut ring circle doughnut annulus circular annular) adj2 (frame fixture structure form shap\$3 enclose receptacle container holder reservoir enclosure infrastructure chassis housing house framework shell chamber tank envelope box case tube cassette socket body cavity)) WITH (sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH radial\$2 WITH (hole opening aperture orifice outlet entrance port recess window through thru) WITH (circumference perimeter border borderline (boundary adj2 line) delimitation))	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2023/03/07 08:59 AM

L217	3	L214 AND (((donut ring circle doughnut annulus circular annular) adj2 (frame fixture structure form shap\$3 enclose receptacle container holder reservoir enclosure infrastructure chassis housing house framework shell chamber tank envelope box case tube cassette socket body cavity)) WITH (sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH radial\$2 WITH (hole opening aperture orifice outlet entrance port recess window through thru) WITH (circumference perimeter border borderline (boundary adj2 line) delimitation))	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2023/03/07 08:59 AM
L218	0	(L190 L191 L192 L194 L195 L196 L197 L198) AND (((donut ring circle doughnut annulus circular annular) adj2 (frame fixture structure form shap\$3 enclose receptacle container holder reservoir enclosure infrastructure chassis housing house framework shell chamber tank envelope box case tube cassette socket body cavity)) WITH (sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH radial\$2 WITH (hole opening aperture orifice outlet entrance port recess window through thru) WITH (circumference perimeter border borderline (boundary adj2 line) delimitation))	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2023/03/07 08:59 AM
L219	0	(L199 L200 L201 L202) AND (((donut ring circle doughnut annulus circular annular) adj2 (frame fixture structure form shap\$3 enclose receptacle container	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS,	OR	ON	ON	2023/03/07 09:00 AM

		holder reservoir enclosure infrastructure chassis housing house framework shell chamber tank envelope box case tube cassette socket body cavity)) WITH (sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH radial\$2 WITH (hole opening aperture orifice outlet entrance port recess window through thru) WITH (circumference perimeter border borderline (boundary adj2 line) delimitation))	IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)				
L220	0	(L203 L204 L205) AND (((donut ring circle doughnut annulus circular annular) adj2 (frame fixture structure form shap\$3 enclose receptacle container holder reservoir enclosure infrastructure chassis housing house framework shell chamber tank envelope box case tube cassette socket body cavity)) WITH (sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH radial\$2 WITH (hole opening aperture orifice outlet entrance port recess window through thru) WITH (circumference perimeter border borderline (boundary adj2 line) delimitation))	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2023/03/07 09:00 AM
L221	3	L217 AND ((sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH (clear transparent crystal) WITH (luminescent adj2 (material substance media medium substrate sheet film micro\$1film seal\$3 coat\$3 protect\$3 layer pad wafer lamina plane cover screen compound)) WITH light)	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO;	OR	ON	ON	2023/03/07 09:03 AM

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L222	0	(L190 L191 L192 L194 L195 L196 L197 L198) AND ((sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH (clear transparent crystal) WITH (luminescent adj2 (material substance media medium substrate sheet film micro\$1film seal\$3 coat\$3 protect\$3 layer pad wafer lamina plane cover screen compound)) WITH light)	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2023/03/07 09:03 AM
L223	0	(L199 L200 L201 L202) AND ((sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH (clear transparent crystal) WITH (luminescent adj2 (material substance media medium substrate sheet film micro\$1film seal\$3 coat\$3 protect\$3 layer pad wafer lamina plane cover screen compound)) WITH light)	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2023/03/07 09:03 AM
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		WITH (second adj2 (end\$3 terminal point node location))) AND @ad<"20191126" AND @pd>"20220919"	HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)				
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L227	18	((((donut ring circle doughnut annulus circular annular) adj2 (frame fixture structure form shap\$3 enclose receptacle container holder reservoir enclosure infrastructure chassis housing house framework shell chamber tank envelope box case tube cassette socket body cavity)) WITH (sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH radial\$2 WITH (hole opening aperture orifice outlet entrance port recess window through thru) WITH (circumference perimeter border borderline (boundary adj2 line) delimitation)) AND @ad<"20191126" AND @pd>"20220919"	(US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, BE, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CS, CU, CZ, DD, DE, DK, EA, EE, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, HR, HU, ID, IE, IL, IS, IT, JP, KR, LT, LU, LV, MA, MC, MD, MY, NL, NO, NZ, OA, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SE, SG, SI, SK, SU, TH, TN, TR, TW, UA, VN, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2023/03/07 09:15 AM
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PE2E SEARCH - Search History (Interference)

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N19	0	(((((fish flex\$3) adj2 tape) WITH (length size dimension width range distance) WITH (first adj2 (end\$3 terminal point node location)) WITH (second adj2 (end\$3 terminal point node location))).clm.) AND @pd>"20220919"	(US-PGPUB; USPAT)	OR	ON	ON	2023/03/07 09:16 AM
N20	2	(((((donut ring circle doughnut annulus circular annular) adj2 (frame fixture structure form shap\$3 enclose receptacle container holder reservoir	(US-PGPUB; USPAT)	OR	ON	ON	2023/03/07 09:17 AM

		enclosure infrastructure chassis housing house framework shell chamber tank envelope box case tube cassette socket body cavity)) WITH (sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH radial\$2 WITH (hole opening aperture orifice outlet entrance port recess window through thru) WITH (circumference perimeter border borderline (boundary adj2 line) delimitation)).clm.) AND @pd>"20220919"					
N21	0	((((sidewall sidebore bore wall) WITH (clear transparent crystal) WITH (luminescent adj2 (material substance media medium substrate sheet film micro\$1film seal\$3 coat\$3 protect\$3 layer pad wafer lamina plane cover screen compound)) WITH light).clm.) AND @pd>"20220919"	(US-PGPUB; USPAT)	OR	ON	ON	2023/03/07 09:17 AM

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GLOW FISH TAPE SYSTEM

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TITLE OF INVENTION: GLOW FISH TAPE SYSTEM

APPLN. TYPE	ENTITY STATUS	ISSUE FEE DUE	PUBLICATION FEE DUE	PREV. PAID ISSUE FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
nonprovisional	UNDISCOUNTED	\$1200	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1200	06/12/2023

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Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b) (Applications filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Office has discontinued providing a Patent Term Adjustment (PTA) calculation with the Notice of Allowance.

Section 1(h)(2) of the AIA Technical Corrections Act amended 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(3)(B)(i) to eliminate the requirement that the Office provide a patent term adjustment determination with the notice of allowance. See Revisions to Patent Term Adjustment, 78 Fed. Reg. 19416, 19417 (Apr. 1, 2013). Therefore, the Office is no longer providing an initial patent term adjustment determination with the notice of allowance. The Office will continue to provide a patent term adjustment determination with the Issue Notification Letter that is mailed to applicant approximately three weeks prior to the issue date of the patent, and will include the patent term adjustment on the patent. Any request for reconsideration of the patent term adjustment determination (or reinstatement of patent term adjustment) should follow the process outlined in 37 CFR 1.705.

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Notice of Allowability	Application No. 16/696,383	Applicant(s) Pearson, Daniel R.	
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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

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2. ☐ An election was made by the applicant in response to a restriction requirement set forth during the interview on _____; the restriction requirement and election have been incorporated into this action.

3. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-4,6-13 and 15-20. As a result of the allowed claim(s), you may be eligible to benefit from the **Patent Prosecution Highway** program at a participating intellectual property office for the corresponding application. For more information, please see http://www.uspto.gov/patents/init_events/pph/index.jsp or send an inquiry to PPHfeedback@uspto.gov.

4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
Certified copies:
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.
THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.

5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
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Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).

6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)	5. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
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3. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material _____.	7. ☐ Other _____.
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/HOAI-AN D. NGUYEN/ Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2858	
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DETAILED ACTION

Notice of Pre-AIA or AIA Status

1. The present application, filed on or after March 16, 2013, is being examined under the first inventor to file provisions of the AIA.

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

2. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on February 27, 2023 has been entered. Accordingly, claims 5 and 14 are cancelled; claims 1-4, 6-13 and 15-20 are currently pending in the application.

Allowable Subject Matter

3. Claims 1-4, 6-13 and 15-20 are allowed.

4. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

With regard to claims 1, 7 and 16, applicants' arguments in the second paragraph at page 6 of 7 of the Remarks and amendments have been considered and found persuasive.

With regard to claims 2-4, 6, 8-13, 15 and 17-20, these claims are allowed at least by virtue of their dependencies directly or indirectly from the base claims, respectively.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

CONTACT INFORMATION

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to HOAI-AN D. NGUYEN whose telephone number is (571) 272-2170. The examiner can normally be reached MON-THURS (7:00 AM - 5:00 PM).

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Art Unit 2858

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SIGNATURE of Assignee of Record

The individual whose signature and title is supplied below is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

Signature /Robert J. Vechiola/

Date April, 20, 2021

Name Robert J. Vechiola

Telephone 847-821-5551

Title V.P., General Counsel & Corporate Secretary

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APPLICATION NO.	FILED DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
16/696,383	11/26/2019	Daniel R. Pearson	751391	6816

TITLE OF INVENTION: GLOW FISH TAPE SYSTEM

APPL. TYPE	ENTITY STATUS	ISSUE FEE DUE	PUBLICATION FEE DUE	PREV. PAID ISSUE FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
nonprovisional	UNDISCOUNTED	\$1200	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1200	06/12/2023

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Klein Tools, Inc

Lincolnshire, Illinois

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Application No./Patent No.: 16/696,383

Filed/Issue Date: 11/26/2019

Titled: GLOW FISH TAPE SYSTEM

Klein Tools, Inc., a corporation

(Name of Assignee)

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06/09/2023

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