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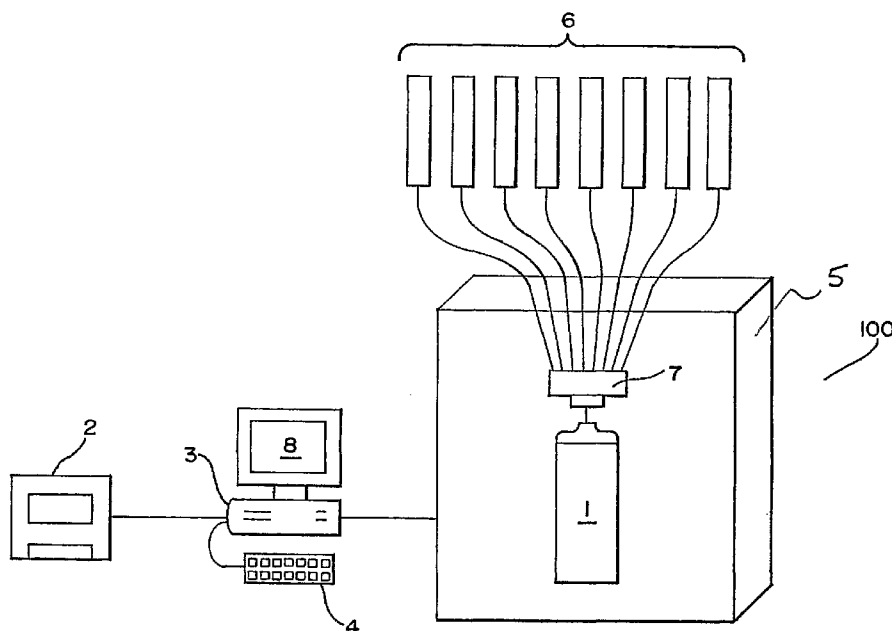
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(57) Abstract: A pressurized paint container initially containing at least a propellant or an initial paint formation having a neutral or clear color is prepared by injecting either a fully formulated paint mixture or tints and/or pigment dispersions into the container through a septum fitted into a filling opening or through the valve in the container.

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1. claim: 1

Method for manually filling an aerosol container with paint

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