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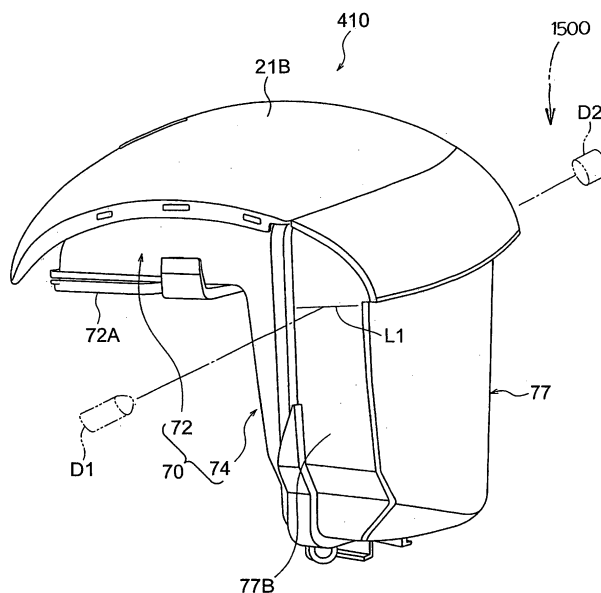
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(54) **Electric vacuum cleaner**

(57) An electric vacuum cleaner, including: a dust separating section (52) to separate a dust sucked from a suction opening with air; a dust-collecting chamber (73) for collecting the dust separated at the dust separating section (52); a light emitting diode (D1) for emitting a light into the dust-collecting chamber (73); a light receiving diode (D2) for receiving the light through the dust-collecting chamber (73); a control device (200) for judging an

amount of the dust through the suction opening /or judging whether or not the dust collected in the dust-collecting chamber (73) reached to a predetermined amount based on a light receiving condition of the light receiving device (D2); a display unit (17) for displaying the amount of the dust judged with the judging device and a alarm device (1000) for alarming in response with the judging amount detected by the control device (200).

**FIG.7**



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