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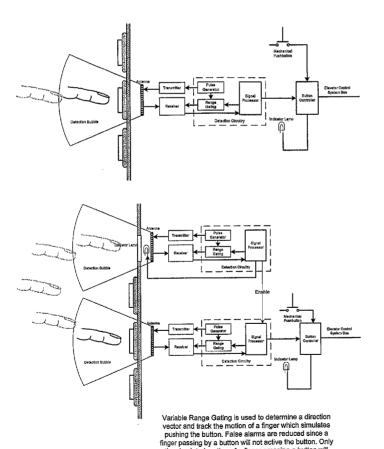
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An elevator

#### (54) Title: ELEVATOR SYSTEM INCLUDING AN ULTRA WIDEBAND DEVICE



Alternatively, an area on the button panel is reserved to enable touchless control. A person activates the touchless button operation by first moving a finger towards the touchless operation enable area. Secondly the person makes the gesture of pushing the button in front of the desired button. The acknowledgement lamp needs to turn on as the finger moves straight towards the button.

the simulated motion of a finger pressing a button will activate the button.

incorporates ultra wideband (UWB) technology to monitor and control characteristics and features of an elevator system, sense elevator occupants, and elevator user input. UWB sensors are disposed in communication with an elevator car for purposes of communicating data and commands from the sensor to a local or remote processor for purposes of analysis. Alternatively, UWB sensors are used to communicate commands to an elevator car, car driving mechanism, car control system, or other destination. In one embodiment, UWB sensors may be disposed in close proximity with elevator car doors to detect the presence of people and objects therebetween. Occupancy sensors may be positioned in the floor, ceiling or walls of the elevator car to sense car occupancy. UWB sensors may also be implemented in close proximity with elevator call buttons to track passengers approaching an elevator call button or bank of elevators. UWB sensors in another embodiment may be used to detect and track the location of an elevator car within the hoistway.

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