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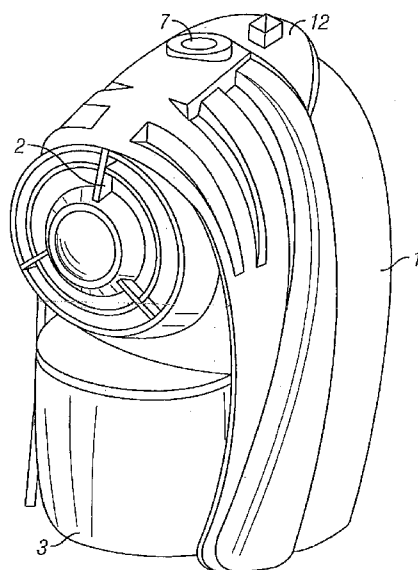
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(54) Title: METHOD, DEVICE AND SYSTEM FOR EMANATING A FLUID

FIG. 1



(57) Abstract: An emanation device is described comprising: a housing adapted to receive at least one container of fluid; emanation means adapted, in use, to emanate the fluid; a controller in communication with said emanation means; one or more remotely located sensor means in communication with the controller. Emanation systems, integrated emanation systems and methods of operation are also described.



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2. claims: 5-8(completely); 9-11(partially)

System comprising a plurality of linked emanation devices comprising a housing receiving a fluid container, emanation means, a controller in communication with said emanation means and one or more remotely located sensor means in communication with said controller.

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