METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AUTOMATIC STARTUP AND SHUTDOWN INCLUDING AUTOMATIC SOURCE SWITCHING

A method and apparatus for automatic startup and shutdown including automatic source selection is provided for the selection of one of many video input sources provided on a visual display device in response to a new video signal being transmitted over a particular input port. The visual display device is also provided with means to power the television in response to user input or a new video signal input source detection. The television may automatically revert to the previously-viewed source upon powering off or lack of signal from the most newly-acquired video signal source.
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