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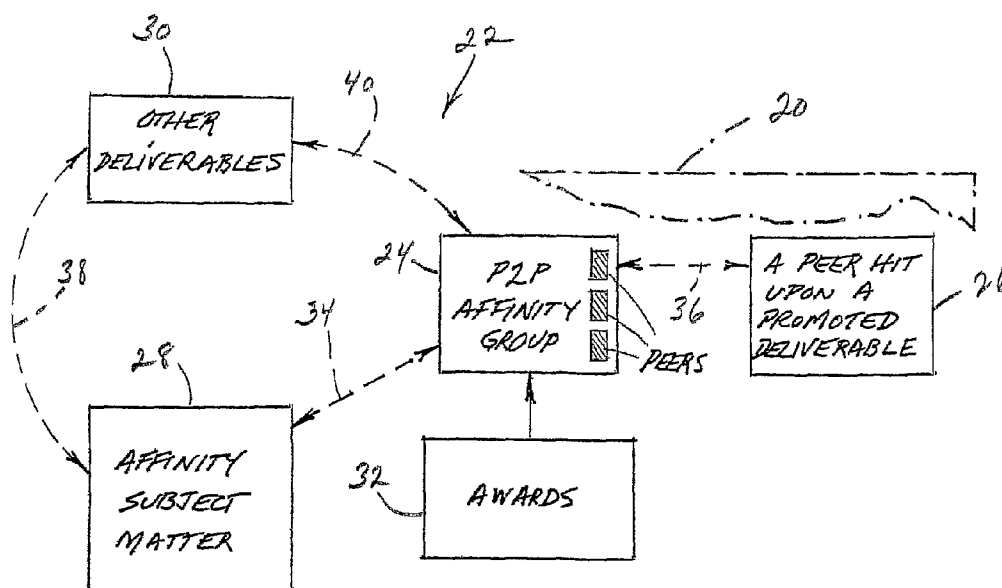
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- (57) Abstract: A P2P (peer-to-peer) business and commerce-enhancing method [Figure 1] including the steps of (a) identifying an active P2P network which is characterized with peers having a defined affinity interest in the exchange of at least category- A information, such as digital music song files [Fig 1., 24], and (b) employing that at-least category-A information-exchange affinity interest as a carrier vehicle and growth engine for the promotion, within that network, of collateral income-generating transactions between a peer and a party who may be inside or outside the network [Fig 1., 26, 32]. Of central importance to such commerce enhancement, or growth, as promoted by practice of the invention is that such growth is driven by network-internal, peer-group enthusiasm, linked with imaginative peer entrepreneurship in the engaging of peer-to-peer file sharing behavior.

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