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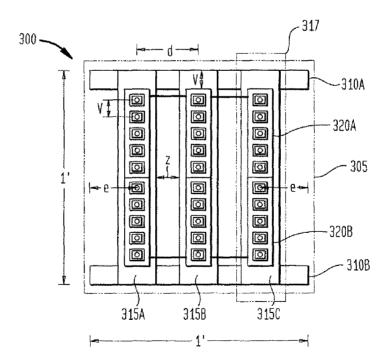
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(57) Abstract: Lighting packages are described for light emitting diode (LED) lighting solutions having a wide variety of applications which seek to balance criteria such as heat dissipation, brightness, and color uniformity. The present approach includes a backing of thermally conductive material and two or more arrays of LEDs attached to a printed circuit board (PCB). The PCB is attached to the top surface of the backing and the two or more arrays of LEDs are separated by a selected distance to balance heat dissipation and color uniformity of the LEDs.



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This application contains the following inventions or groups of inventions which are not so linked as to form a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1. In order for all inventions to be examined, the appropriate additional examination fees must be paid.

Group I, claims 1-13, drawn to systems with light emitting diodes (LEDs) attached to a printed circuit board (PCB) to dissipate heat generated from the LEDs.

Group II, claims 14-17, drawn to a control system with a potentiometer, wherein adjustment of the potentiometer results in simultaneous brightness adjustment of lighting packages.

The inventions listed as Groups I and II do not relate to a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1 because, under PCT Rule 13.2, they lack the same or corresponding special technical features for the following reasons: the special technical feature of the Group I invention: a printed circuit board (PCB) to dissipate heat generated from the LEDs as claimed therein is not present in the invention of Group II. The special technical feature of the Group II invention: adjustment of the potentiometer resulting in simultaneous brightness adjustment of lighting packages as claimed therein is not present in the invention of Groups I.

Since none of the special technical features of the Group I or II inventions are found in more than one of the inventions, unity of invention is lacking.

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