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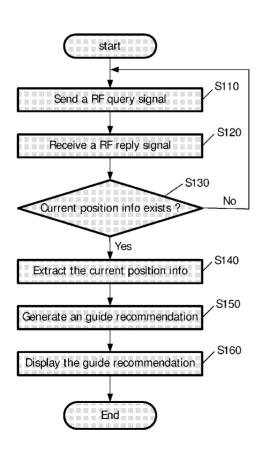
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(57) Abstract: The present invention provides a method and apparatus for providing guide directing to a target position. The method for providing guide directing to a target position, comprising the steps of: acquiring current position information which is from an identifier; and generating a guide recommendation according to the current position information, the target position information and an e-map including the current position information and the target position information. The method and apparatus in the present invention takes full advantage of the processing capability of the processor and the storage means on the user equipment, to provide a guide recommendation to a target position easily when the user needs orientation guide, and can reduce costs for infrastructures in large public facilities as well.

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