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(54) **Clothes drying or similar machine provided with conductometric moisture control**

(57) The machine is provided with a conductometric control system comprising a pair of electrodes (4) adapted to contact the clothes being dried and to correspondingly drive a programme sequence control unit (6) with a signal that is indicative of the residual moisture contents of the clothes. The electrodes (4) drive said pro-

gramme sequence control unit (6) through a radio-frequency transceiver comprising a transmitter (7) of said signal, which is arranged in correspondence of the drum (2) and is electrically connected to the electrodes (4), and a receiver (12) of said signal, which is arranged in a stationary position on the outer casing (1) of the machine.

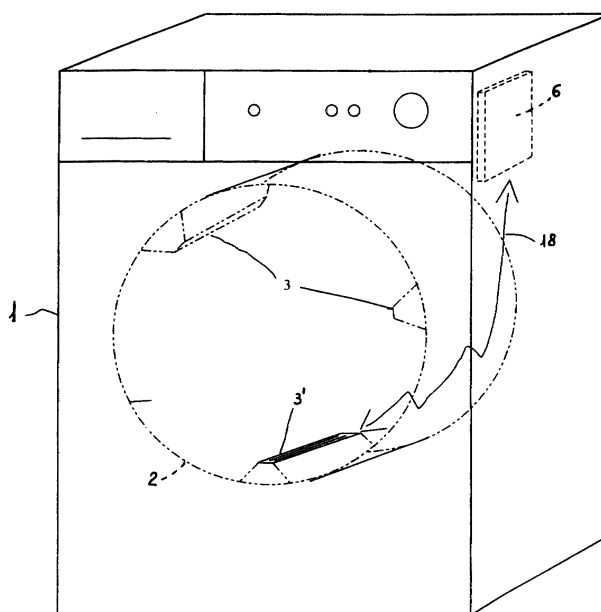


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