Title: ELECTRONIC BLUEPRINT EVALUATION SYSTEM FOR APPROVING BLUEPRINTS

Abstract: A method (and system) for electronically approving a blueprint file on a centralized repository. The centralized repository receives or retrieves a blueprint file and extracts from one or more libraries, one or more applicable rules. Each rule is comprised of at least one function and of at least one parameter. An order for evaluating the one or more applicable rules is determined based on a hierarchical score associated with each applicable rule. The one or more applicable rules are evaluated in the determined order and each applicable rule is evaluated using data from the blueprint file. Based on the evaluated one or more applicable rules, the centralized repository determines a recommendation for the blueprint file comprising at least one of rejection, approval, and conditional approval.
**INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT**

**A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER**
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Electronic databases: PubWEST (PGPB, USPT, USOC, EPAB, JPAB); GOOGLE
Search Terms Used: blueprint, approval, rejection, request, checking, final, preliminary, parameter, requirement, rule, repository, database, alteration, change, compliant, noncompliant, centralized repository, track change etc.

**C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT**

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