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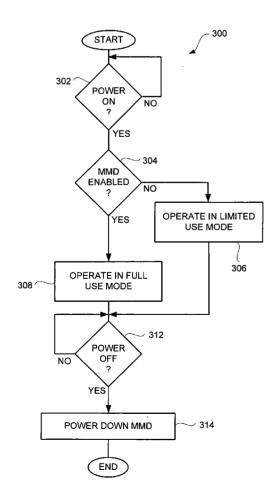
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(57) Abstract: Methods, systems and apparatus that facilitate activation of mobile devices, such as communication devices or multi-function devices, via a computer are disclosed. According to one aspect of the invention, a mobile device can be forced into a limited service mode until properly activated with a service provider for a wireless network. According to another aspect of the invention, a mobile device can defer its attempt to send a location update request to a wireless network. According to still another aspect of the invention, a mobile device can be automatically controlled to reset a portion of its internal hardware to initiate a location update request.

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1. claims: 1-6, 27-28

Performing a location update only responsive to determining that a mobile has been activated and that an external request for location update has been received

2. claims: 7-26, 29-42

Placing a multi function device in a limited service mode, if it is determined that the device has not been activated

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