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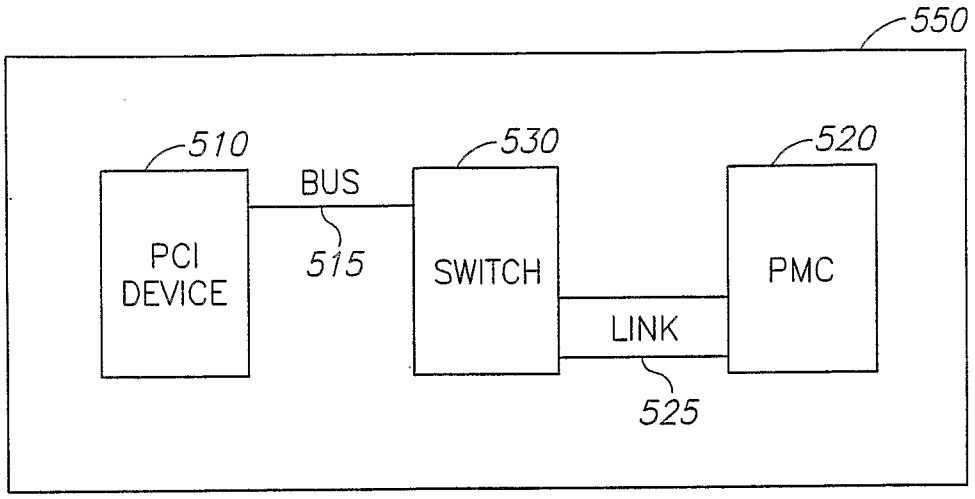
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(57) Abstract: Briefly, system and method for message-based power management which may be used, for example, in computer systems and communications networks. Embodiments of the present invention may include, for example, a device connected to a power management controller (PMC); the device and/or the PMC may send, receive, and/or process power management event (PME) messages. Embodiments of the present invention may operate using links in communicative and/or non-communicative modes. Embodiments of the present invention may include a switch, to send/ receive, process, create, re-format and/or route one or more PME message on behalf of various devices, for example, a Peripheral Component Interconnect (PCI) device.

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