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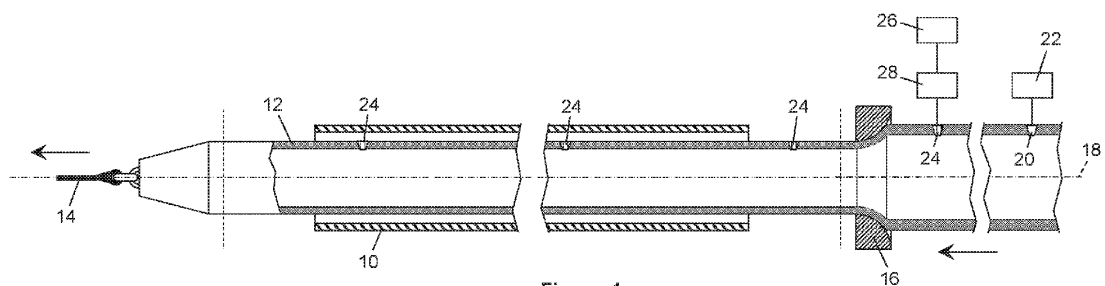


Figure 1

(57) Abstract: A method of manufacturing a vent for a pipeline liner comprises overmoulding a porous element in a polymer body. This produces a vent in which the element extends across, and is in fluid communication with, a through-passage formed in the body during overmoulding. The element is supported in a mould cavity clamped between opposed internal mould formations that define at least part of the through-passage. The integrity of the vent and of the interface between the vent and the liner is maintained during die-drawing of the liner. Thus, the porous element is mechanically engaged with the surrounding body as flowable material of the body is absorbed into the element during overmoulding. Internal flanges also restrain the element against movement along the through-passage. The vent is also fused with the liner by heating interface regions to a softening or melting temperature before inserting the vent into a wall of the liner.



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