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(54) Title: WATER-SHEDDING WASHROOM DISPENSER

(57) Abstract

A combined paper towel and hand soap dispenser for a public washroom includes a base (12) that is adapted to be mounted to a surface in a public washroom, a paper towel dispensing mechanism (18), a hand soap dispensing mechanism (20), and a cover (14) that is mounted to the base (12). The cover (14) defines an interior space (16) in which the paper towel dispensing mechanism (18) and the hand soap dispensing mechanisms (20) are positioned. The cover (14) is mounted to the base (12) so as to be movable between an open position for refilling the system with hygienic product and a closed, operative dispensing position. Water channeling structure (24) is positioned between the base and the cover to channel water that may fall between the cover and the base away from the interior space (16). As a result, the dispensing mechanisms and any product therein will be prevented from getting wet during custodial cleaning.

