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ABSTRACT

A PROCESS TO RELOAD MOBILE PREPAID AIRTIME USING A SELF-SERVICE TERMINAL ACROSS MULTIPLE TELCOS AND MULTIPLE CURRENCIES

A system and method for purchasing and reloading airtime for a local and foreign prepaid mobile phone account are disclosed. The system comprises a plurality of payment receiving means which are connected to a wireless protocol cloud (120), for receiving an airtime purchase and reload request, and also a corresponding payment based on a selected airtime denomination. The payment receiving means are connected to a plurality of servers (140 – 142). One of the servers is the main server (142) which links the wireless protocol cloud (120) to a group of reloading entities (180). Alternatively, the main server (142) may also be connected to an Internet cloud (150). Therefore, the group of reloading entities may receive the airtime purchase and reload request from the payment receiving means (100) via the Internet cloud (150) or directly from the main server (142) via a plurality of fixed wireless terminals (FWT) (170). The group of reloading entities (180) transfer airtime to prepaid mobile phones based on the value of airtime purchased.

The most illustrative drawing: Fig. 1