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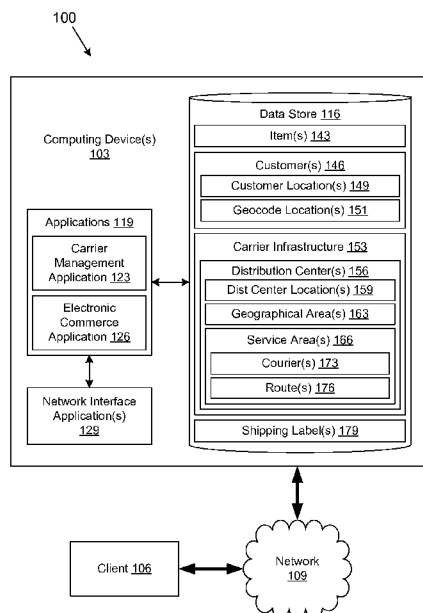


FIG. 1

(57) Abstract: The present disclosure relates to the generation of shipping labels that aid in delivery of shipments. In one example, at least a portion of a carrier infrastructure is identified that is to be used to deliver each one of a plurality of shipments, where each of the shipments corresponds to one of a plurality of destination locations. A shipping label is generated for each of the shipments. Each shipping label expresses both a respective one of the destination locations and a recitation of the portion of the carrier infrastructure employed to deliver a corresponding one of the shipments to a respective one of the destination locations.



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