Abstract

AUTOMATIC RECEIVE MODE PROCESS

Disclosed is a method for conserving power in a battery-powered electronic appliance (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7) having a communications interface (50) including receive mode circuitry (55) and a battery (5) that supplies power to the receive mode circuitry (55) when the receive mode circuitry (55) is enabled. Upon power up of the appliance, the communications interface (50) is initialized, and the receive mode circuitry (55) is enabled to operate in a receive mode. A predetermined enable time is then timed. When the predetermined enable time expires, the receive mode circuitry is disabled.

(FIG. 1)



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