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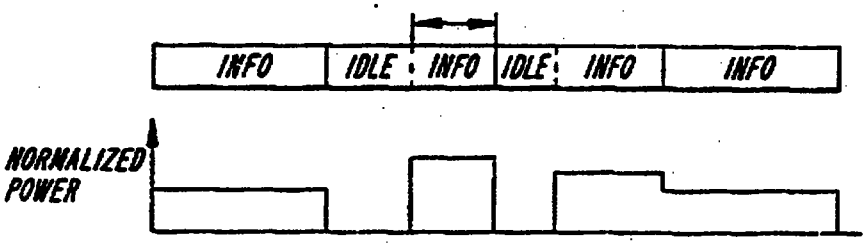

(57) Abstract

Introduction of discontinuous transmission in CDMA communications techniques is achieved by using a lower spreading ratio, whereby the spread information only fills an information part of a frame in a compressed mode, leaving an idle part of the frame in which to perform other functions, such as evaluation of other frequencies and execution of seamless handover between frequencies.

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