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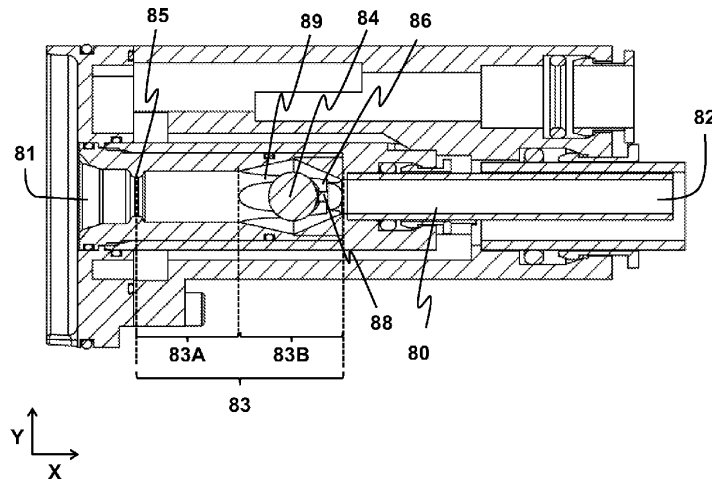


FIG 2B

(57) **Abstract:** Coupler device 100 for fluidly connecting a beverage chamber of a beverage container to a beverage dispensing line. The coupler device comprises a beverage conduit 80 extending between an inlet which is configured for being connected to a first dispensing line part attached to the beverage container and an outlet 82 which is configured for being connected a second dispensing line part attached to a dispenser. The beverage conduit 80 includes a horizontally extending beverage conduit section 83 that defines a horizontal flow path for the beverage, wherein, at the beverage conduit section, the coupler device comprises a reflux valve arranged for preventing a reflux flow of beverage through the beverage conduit from the outlet to the inlet of the coupler device. The reflux valve includes a movable valve element 84 which is movable relative to the beverage conduit section along the horizontal flow path for enabling a beverage pressure surge in the dispensing line to travel across the valve.

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