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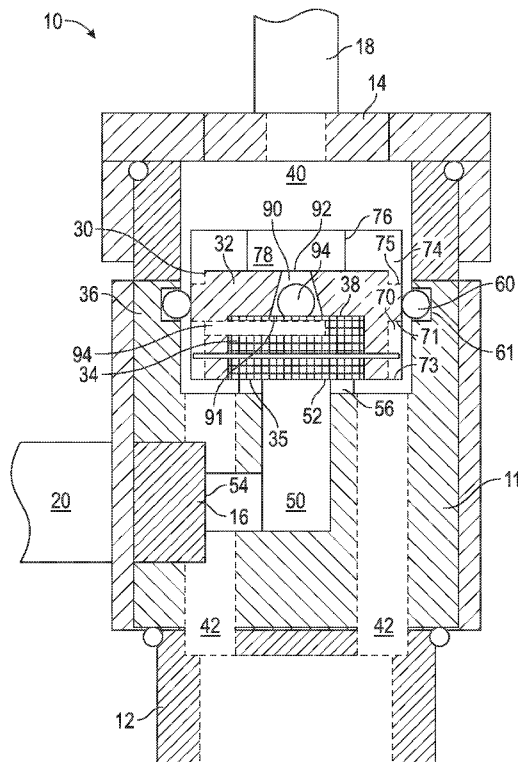


FIG. 1

(57) Abstract: The present invention provides a multi-directional control valve comprises a bi-directional control valve 10 for a fire suppression system. In particular, this control valve 10 is specifically for a fire suppression system comprises an inlet 12, a first fluid communication passageway or outlet (port) 14 and a second fluid communication passageway or outlet (port) 18. The first outlet port 14 is arranged to be connected to a detector tube 18 whereas the second outlet port 18 is arranged to be connected to a discharge tube 20. The detector tube 18 comprises a heat sensitive tube which will be ruptured and/or penetrated as a result of exposure to significant heat. As a result of this rupture, the pressure contained within the detector tube 18 will be released and this is then arranged to actuate the control valve 10 such that the fire extinguishant contained within a cylinder 22 is simultaneously released through the detector tube 18 and also through the dedicated discharge tube 20.

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