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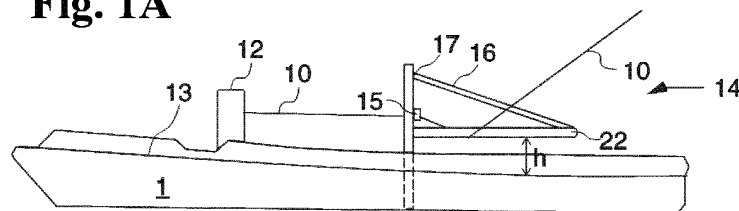
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- (54) **Title:** TOWING STAPLE AND HULL FOR A VESSEL FOR TOWING

Fig. 1A



- (57) **Abstract:** A hull for a vessel for towing is disclosed, comprising a deck and a towing staple for guiding a towing line. The towing staple comprises a guiding element having a symmetrical extension in a first plane parallel to the deck, wherein the guiding element comprises a first and a second mounting section mounting the guiding element to the hull. The first and second mounting sections are connected by means of a main section of the guiding element. The guiding element comprises a towing line guiding surface located on a bottom side of the main section facing the deck, the towing line guiding surface being configured to, during a towing procedure, slidably contact the towing line, such that the towing line can freely move along a periphery of the main section in the first plane while being restricted in movement by the main section in a direction perpendicular to the first plane. The towing staple further comprises a support element, wherein the support element is arranged on a top side of the main section and extends at an angle to the first plane from the top side of the guiding element to a second plane perpendicular to the first plane and extending through the first and second mounting sections.



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