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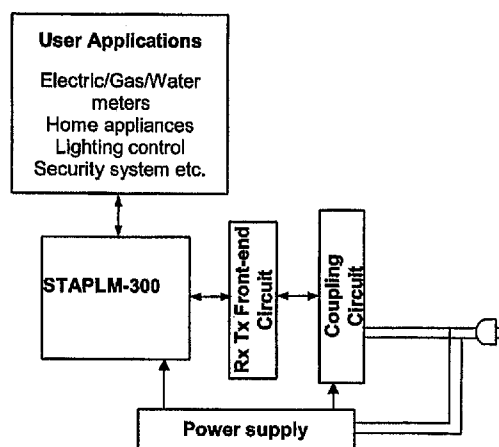
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(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to communications devices and methods, particularly in the field of power line networks. The invention has a number of aspects, which in one form, relate to a communication device and/or methods adapted for the automatic meter reading, data concentrator, home gateway, IR gateway and home automation, such as by way of example power point, light switches, curtain control, gas valve control, air conditioner & heater control, remote device and/or appliance control and/or industrial control markets. In a specific form, the invention and one or any combination of its aspects may reside in a power line modem.

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