

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

DUPLEX FIBER OPTIC CONNECTOR SYSTEM AND METHOD OF
FABRICATION

5 A system (12) for maintaining a pair of fiber optic connectors in a side-
by-side relation with float therebetween, along with a method of fabricating the
connectors. A first connector housing (14) is provided for receiving a first optical fiber
plug, and including a first latch (20) molded integrally with the first connector housing.
A second connector housing (16) is provided for receiving a second optical fiber plug.
A latch member (28) is mounted on the second connector housing (16) in loose
10 engagement therewith and includes a second latch (34) for interengagement with the first
latch (20) on the first connector housing (14). Therefore, the connector housings (14,16)
are held in a side-by-side relationship with float therebetween provided by the loosely
engaged latch member (28).

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