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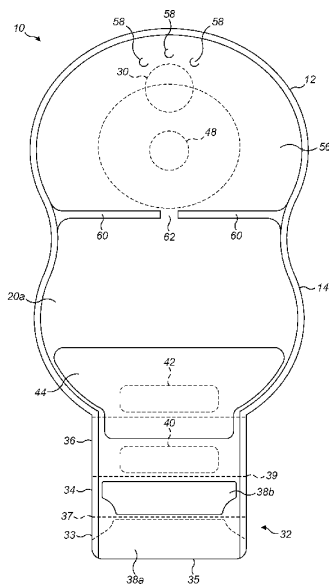


FIG. 1A

(57) Abstract: The invention relates to an ostomy pouch (10). The pouch (10) includes an inner wall (18b) and an outer wall (20b) sealed about at least part of the periphery thereof to define a cavity for containing a stomal output. The cavity includes an upper section (12) and a lower section (14). A waisted section (13) is located between the upper section (12) and the lower section (14). A filter system is provided which includes a vent (30) in the outer wall of the pouch (10) for the release of gas from within the cavity to outside of the pouch (10); and a pre-filter arrangement comprising a protective panel (54) which defines a filter chamber (56) about the vent, and into which stomal output may enter, in use.

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