

**MEMBRANE SHIELD****Abstract of the Disclosure**

5           A device (100) includes a keypad membrane (1600) including a membrane  
conductor layer (1608) over the bottom surface of the membrane body (1602). The  
conductor layer covers the membrane contact areas (217) and is connected to ground  
by an adhesive (1700). The grounded conductor layer on the membrane provides an  
RF shield to reduce the undesirable coupling of RF energy through the key area of the  
10 device.

Figure 17 accompanies this abstract.