**Abstract**

**METHOD FOR SECURE TRANSMITTAL OF PINs OVER TELECOMMUNICATIONS NETWORKS**

A method and facilitator system 11 to facilitate access by a subscriber 17 of a telecommunications provider 13 to a service or merchandise provided by a service provider 15 is disclosed. In the method and system, the facilitator 11 receives a first communication 23 from the subscriber 17 requesting provision of a service or merchandise via a telecommunications network. The facilitator 11 generates, and records a PIN against data from the communication, and sends the PIN to the subscriber. The facilitator 11 awaits, via a tracked session, a second communication 27 from the subscriber 17 in confirmation of receipt of the PIN within a predetermined period of time, where if there is no confirmation within the predetermined period of time, the facilitator 11 voids the transaction. On successful confirmation 27 within the predetermined period of time, the facilitator 11 issues instructions 29 to the service provider 15 to provide the service or merchandise, and whereafter the facilitator 11 awaits a message 31 from the service provider 15 that the service or merchandise has been provided, and on receipt of the message 31, issues instructions 33 to the telecommunications provider 13 to charge the subscriber 17.

**Figure 1**