

**SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR SELECTIVELY ACTIVATING A  
COMMUNICATION DEVICE**

**ABSTRACT**

The invention provides a system and method for detecting activation of a communication device via passive means. For the system and method, the device comprises a casing for housing a display and a keyboard; a microprocessor controlling aspects of the keyboard  
5 and display; a passive usage sensor; and a power application operating on the microprocessor. The power application monitors the usage sensor for a signal indicating movement of the device from a resting location when the device is in a low power mode and upon detection of the signal for provides power to at least one additional element in the device.

**(Fig. 1)**