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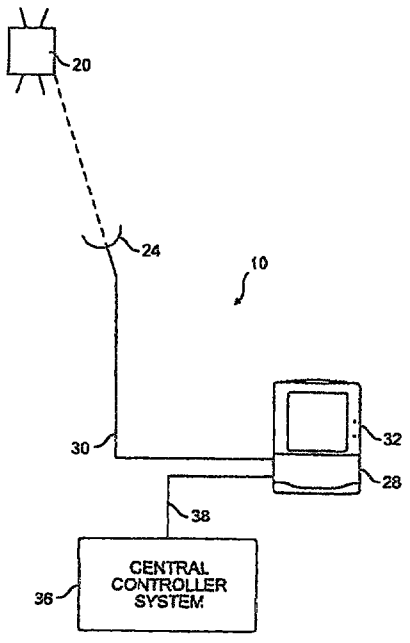
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(57) Abstract: The invention relates to video and music distribution systems. Video distribution systems (10) of the invention blanket transmit video/audio content such as movies (for example, via satellite downlik transmission) to each customer's computer based recording, storage and playback system (28). Customers preselect from a list of available movies or other content in advance using an interactive screen selector, and pay for only the video/audio content that is actually viewed. Music distribution systems of the invention blanket transmit music selections to the same recording, storage and playback system used for video, or to a similar music-only system. The music customer preselects desired music selections in advance using an interactive screen selector, and pays for the music selections after they are recorded on a medium (e.g., CD) for unlimited future playback.

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