

Claim

1. A facility managing mobile control unit adapted to move to a plurality of premises, the facility managing mobile control unit comprising:

a central monitoring system adapted to communicate with a facility system of each of the plurality of premises, the central monitoring system adapted to monitor the facility systems of the plurality of premises simultaneously,

wherein the facility managing mobile control unit is adapted to move to one of the plurality of premises when alerted by the facility system of the one of the plurality of premises.

2. The facility managing mobile control unit of claim 1, wherein the facility managing mobile control unit comprises a vehicular control unit.

3. The facility managing mobile control unit of claim 2, wherein the vehicular control unit comprises a van.

4. The facility managing mobile control unit of any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein the facility managing mobile control unit comprises a Global Positioning System device adapted to determine the location of the facility managing mobile control unit.

5. The facility managing mobile control unit of any one of claims 1 to 4, wherein the central monitoring system comprises a security monitoring system adapted to monitor at least one of a security system of the facility system or a building services monitoring system adapted to monitor the building services systems of the facility system.

6. The facility managing mobile control unit of any one of claims 1 to 5, wherein communication between the central monitoring system and facility system is via at least one of a wide area network or a wireless local area network.

7. The facility managing mobile control unit of any one of claims 1 to 6, wherein the facility managing mobile control unit is adapted to patrol at least one of the plurality of premises.

8. A facility management system adapted to manage at least one of the plurality of premises, the facility management system comprising:

a facility managing mobile control unit as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 7;
and

a plurality of facility systems, each facility system adapted to monitor one of the plurality of premises;

wherein the mobile control unit is adapted to monitor the plurality of facility systems simultaneously.

9. The facility management system of claim 8, wherein each facility system comprises a security system, wherein the security system is adapted to send a security signal to the central monitoring system when required.

10. The facility management system of claim 8 or 9, wherein the facility system comprises building services systems, wherein the building services systems are adapted to send an alert signal to the central monitoring system when required.

11. A facility management method of monitoring a plurality of premises using a facility managing mobile control unit, each of the plurality of premises being equipped with a facility system, the method comprising:

monitoring the plurality of facility systems simultaneously;

communicating between the central monitoring system of the facility managing mobile control unit and at least one of the facility systems of the plurality of premises; and

moving the facility managing mobile control unit to the premise of the one of the facility systems when alerted by the one of the facility systems of the one of the plurality of premises.

12. The method of claim 11, wherein monitoring the facility system comprises monitoring a security system of the facility system.

13. The method of claim 11 or 12, wherein monitoring the facility system comprises monitoring building services systems of the facility system.

14. The method of any one of claims 11 to 13, wherein the method further comprising patrolling around at least one of the plurality of premises.

15. A facility managing mobile unit control system comprising:

a plurality of facility managing mobile control units as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 7; and

a main control unit adapted to monitor the location of the plurality of facility managing mobile control units, the main control unit adapted to be in communication with the plurality of facility managing mobile control units and controlling the plurality of facility managing mobile control units.

16. A facility managing mobile unit control method comprising:

monitoring the location of a plurality of facility managing mobile control units as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 7 from a main control unit; and

communicating between the main control unit and the plurality of facility managing mobile control units.