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A POS terminal (10) generates a purchase price of a purchase, and generates a rounded price. The rounded price may be, for example, the lowest whole number greater than the purchase price. The POS terminal (10) then calculates a round–up amount (change due to the customer) as the difference between the purchase price and the rounded price. The coupon value (414) is set based on the round–up amount. For example, the coupon (410) may be redeemable for triple the amount of change due. The POS terminal (10) prints on the coupon (410) an identifier, such as a bar code (372), that is based on the coupon value (414). The bar code (372) allows the coupon (410) to be read by a POS terminal (10) when the coupon (410) is redeemed.

