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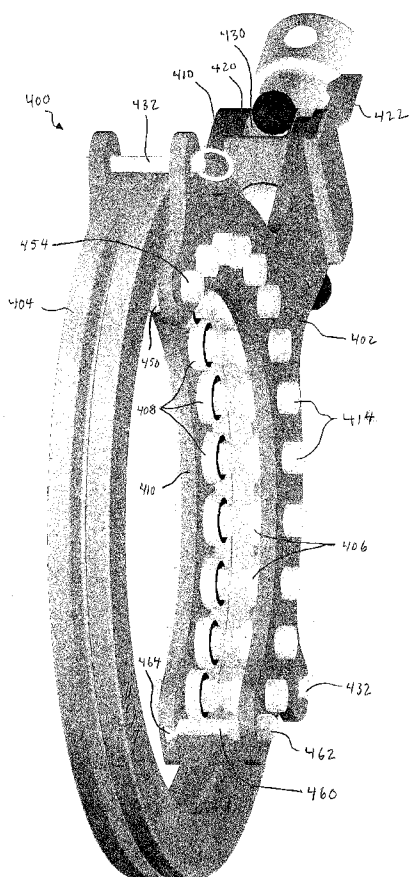
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(54) Title: RING SHEAVE



(57) Abstract: The present invention is a sheave assembly that includes a ring supported by a support assembly instead of a solid sheave wheel supported by a central axle. The support assembly may include a plurality of rollers or a curved shoe. The ring is made of a lubricated plastic material or other similar material. The ring includes a groove for retaining the wireline or cable and an inner surface that is designed to mate with the outer surface support assembly.

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