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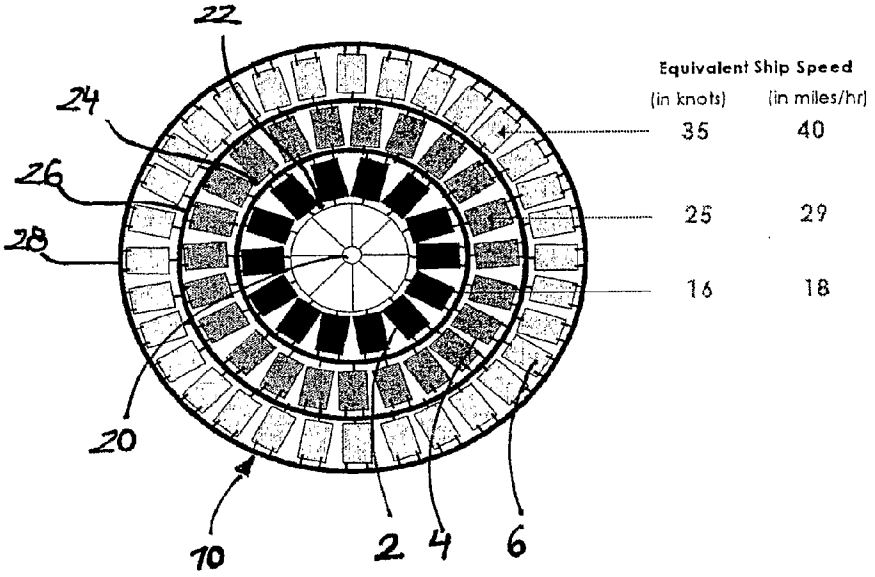

(57) **Abstract:** Described is a test system for the evaluation of a coating to biofouling and fluid shear forces in natural seawater, comprising: a support structure for holding test panels, a first array of separate, spaced apart test panels being arranged on the support structure (a) in two or more coaxial circles around an axis and (b) in a plane substantially perpendicular to the axis, the test panels being provided with the same or different coatings on one side, a drive assembly being arranged so that the first array of test panels on the support structure can be rotated around the axis.

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