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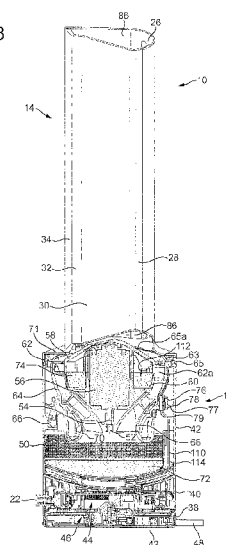
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FIG. 3



(57) Abstract: A fan assembly (10) for creating an air current comprises a nozzle (14) mounted on a base. The base comprises an outer casing (16), a silencing member housed within the outer casing (16), an impeller housing located (64) within the outer casing (16), the impeller housing (64) having an air inlet (70) and an air outlet, an impeller (52) located within the impeller housing and a motor (56) for driving the impeller about an axis to create an air flow through the impeller housing. The nozzle comprises an interior passage (86) for receiving the air flow from the air outlet of the impeller housing and a mouth (26) through which the air flow is emitted from the fan assembly, wherein the silencing member is located beneath the air inlet (70) of the impeller housing (64) and is spaced from the air inlet along said axis by a distance in the range from 5 mm to 60 mm.