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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

This is a Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified application. Entry of this Preliminary Amendment, before any



Official Action is taken in this case, is respectfully requested.

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Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Please cancel Claim 47, without prejudice.

Please add the following new Claim 54 as follows:

54. A control apparatus, comprising:

a first control device located at a vehicle, the first control device detecting at least one of a use of the vehicle, a use of at least one of a vehicle system, a vehicle component, a vehicle device, a vehicle equipment, a vehicle equipment system, and a vehicle appliance, an unauthorized use of the vehicle, an unauthorized use of at least one of a vehicle system, a vehicle component, a vehicle device, a vehicle equipment, a vehicle equipment system, and a vehicle appliance, and an entry into or



onto the vehicle, the first control device at least one of generating and transmitting a first signal,

the first signal being transmitted from the first control device to a second control device, the second control device being located at a location remote from the vehicle, the first signal being automatically received by the second control device,

the second control device at least one of generating and transmitting a second signal in response to the first signal, the second control device transmitting the second signal to a third control device, third control device being located at a location remote from the vehicle and remote from the second control device, the second signal being automatically received by the third control device,

the third control device generating a third signal, the third signal providing information regarding the at least one of a use of the vehicle, a use of at least one of a vehicle system, a vehicle component, a vehicle device, a vehicle equipment, a vehicle equipment system, and a vehicle appliance, an unauthorized use of the vehicle, an unauthorized use of the at least one of a vehicle system, a vehicle component, a vehicle

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device, a vehicle equipment, a vehicle equipment system, and a vehicle appliance, and an entry into or onto the vehicle.

Please amend Claims 21, 31, 35, 37, 41, 50 and 5 as

follows:

(Five times Amended) | A control apparatus,

a first control device, the first control device at least one of generating and transmitting a first signal for at least one of activating, de-activating, disabling, and re-enabling, at least one of a premises system, a premises device, a premises equipment, a premises equipment system, and a premises appliance, the first control device being located at the premises,

the first control device being responsive to a second signal, the second signal being at least one of generated by and transmitted from a second control device, the second control device being located at a logation which is remote from the premises, the second signal being transmitted from the second control device to the first control device, and the second signal being automatically received by the first control device,

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