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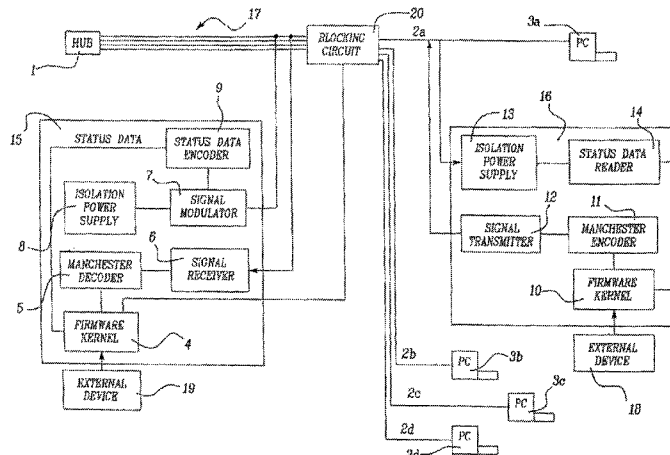
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A piece of data terminal equipment having an Ethernet connector having first and second pairs of contacts used to carry high frequency data communication signals. The piece of data terminal equipment to have at least one path coupled across at least one of the contacts of the first pair of contacts of the Ethernet connector and at least one of the contacts of the second pair of contacts of the Ethernet connector. The piece of data terminal equipment to draw different magnitudes of DC current through the at least one path.

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