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(54) **WEB-BASED POINT-OF SALE SYSTEM**

(57) **ABSTRACT**

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A network or web-based point of sale (WPOS) system employs a store server and point-of-sale client computers that are connected over a store LAN or over the Internet to the server. The server provides all necessary operating drivers for cash drawer, scanners, and other point-of-sale peripherals via the web browser of the client computers. An instant kiosk retail solution can involve a remote computer terminal installed via the Internet, and will support peripheral POS devices. The web-based system permits management to obtain store performance reports remotely, and permits customers to schedule and reschedule appointments and delivery times. Servers at two or more store sites can communicate with one another and with a headquarters mainframe. The WPOS can be implemented as an integrated suite for collaboration between store locations.

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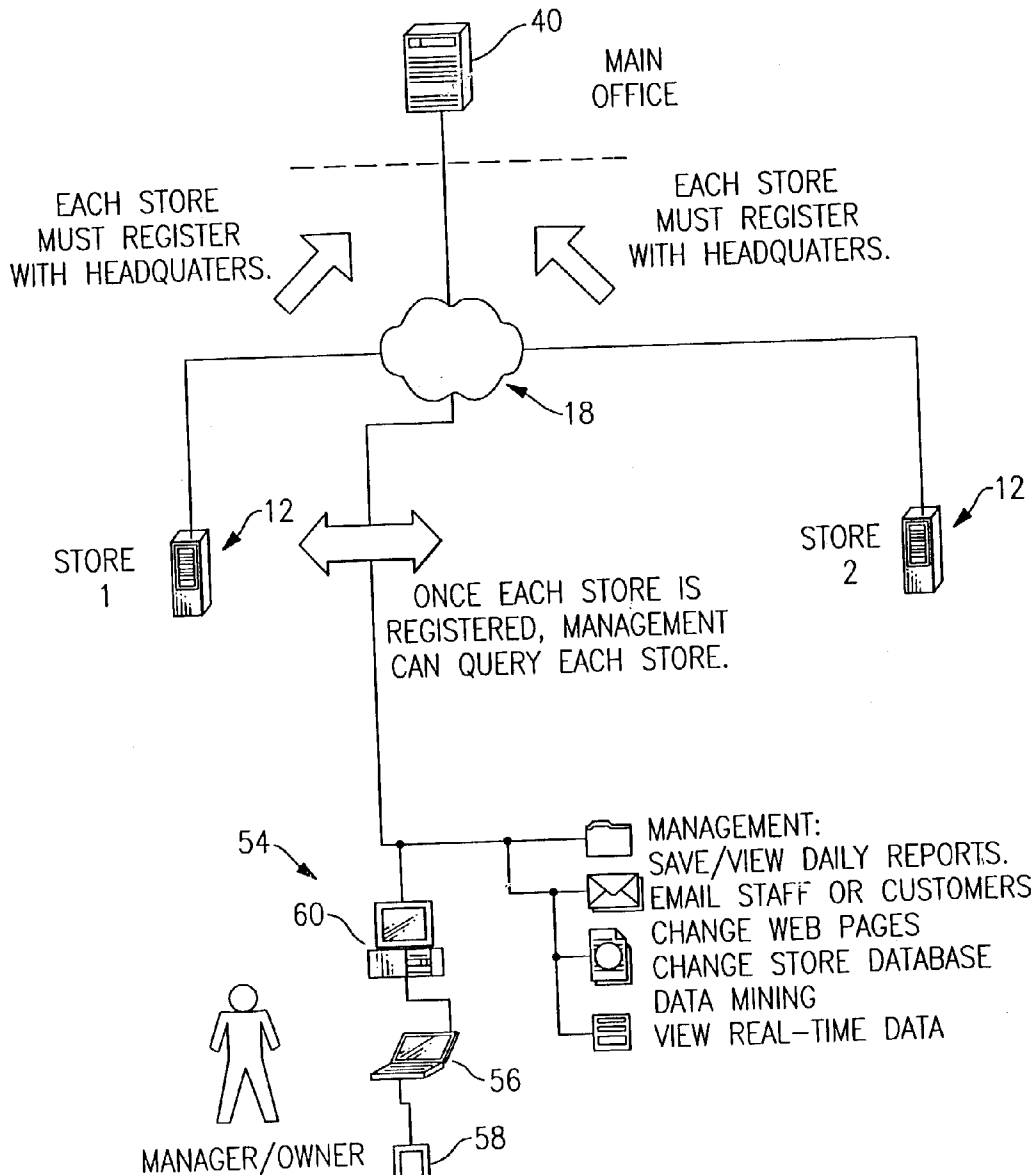
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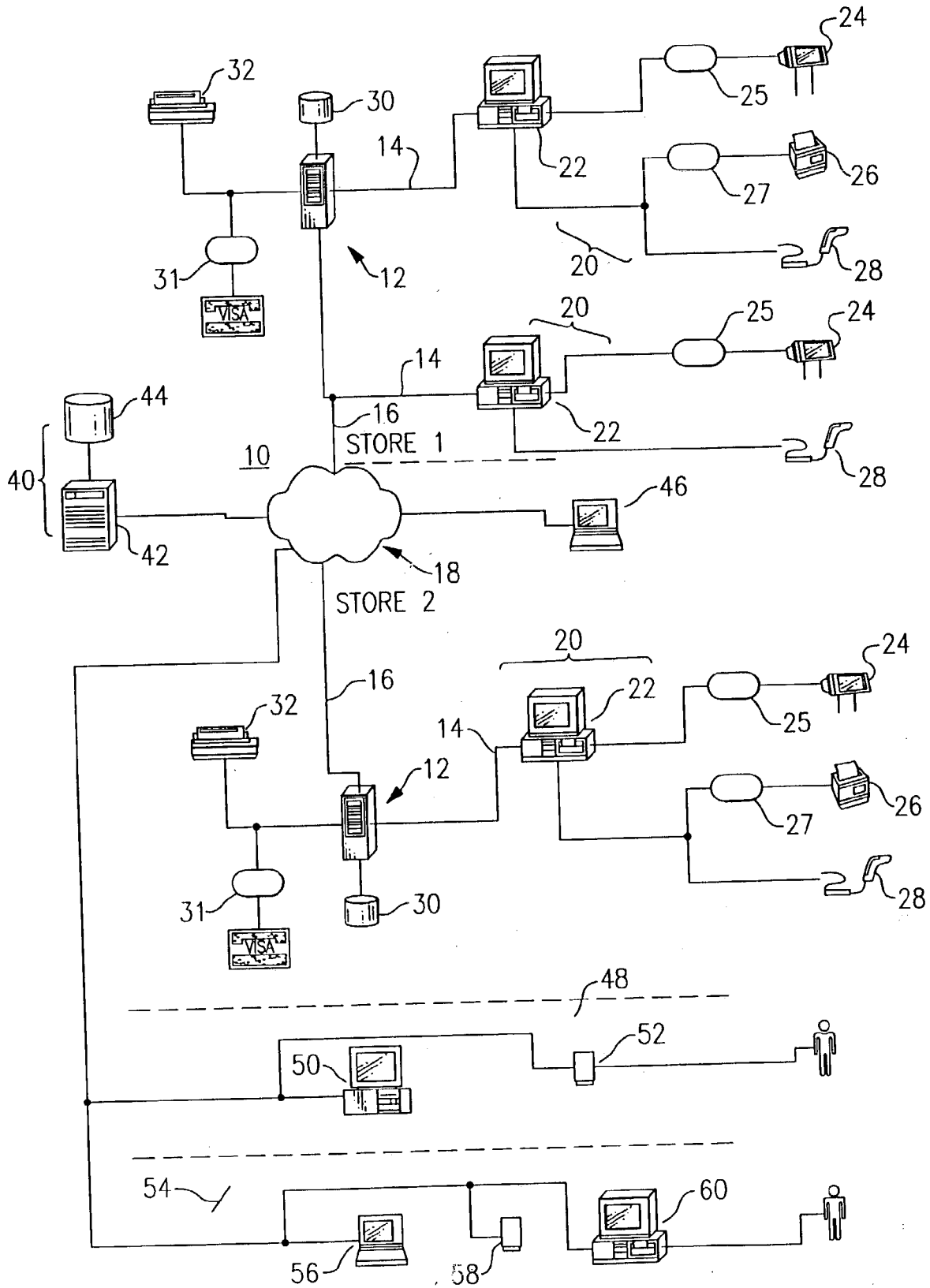
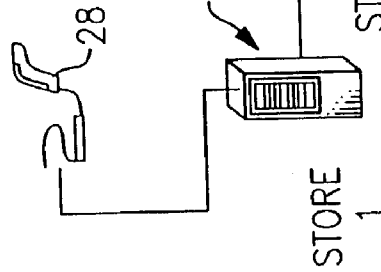
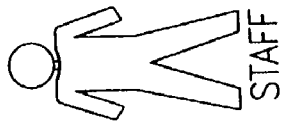
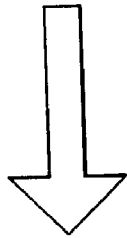


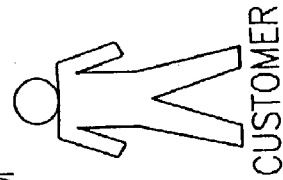
FIG. 1



IN-STORE DISPLAY PRINTS  
BARCODED RECEIPT OF ITEMS  
TO BE PURCHASED. SALES  
STAFF COMPLETES SALE WITH A  
SINGLE SCAN



STOCK-INVENTORY DATA FROM  
INSTORE DISPLAY SHARES  
DATABASE FROM STORE AND  
WEBSITE.



IN-STORE USER  
 \*LOOKUP PRICE OR PRODUCT  
 LOCATION.  
 \*MAKE SELECTION AND  
 PURCHASE DECISION AT  
 DISPLAY MODEL, TAKE RECEIPT  
 TO CASH REGISTER.  
 \*EMAIL SELF QUOTES

FIG. 3

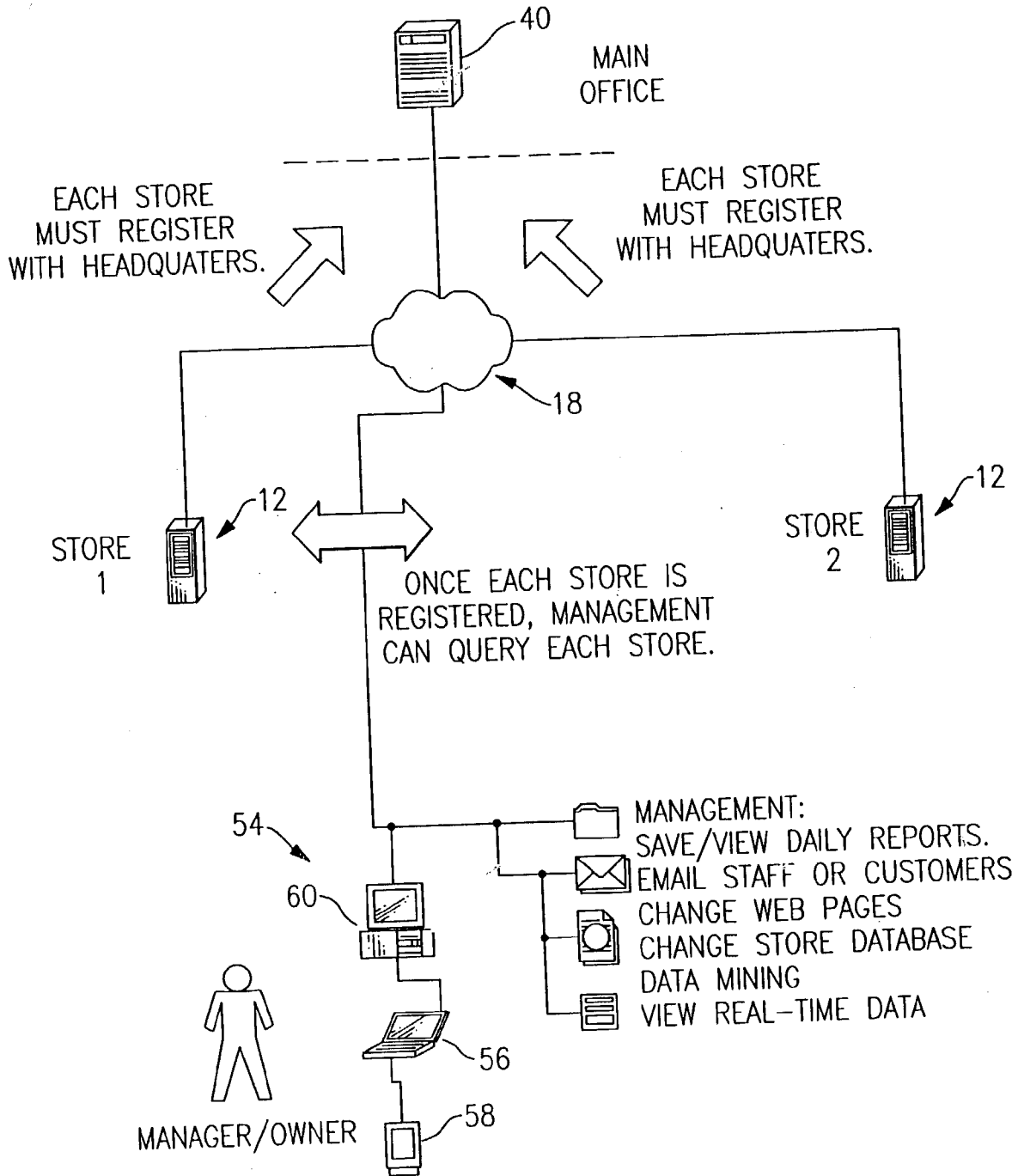


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