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(54) METHOD, APPARATUS AND SYSTEM FOR RETROFITTING A VEHICLE

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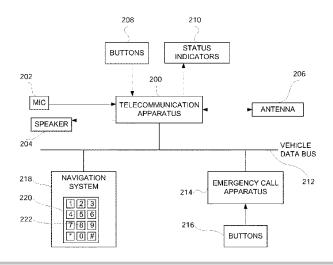
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(57) ABSTRACT

A system, apparatus, and method for retrofitting a vehicle are presented. The method relates to a vehicle with a factory-installed first apparatus which communicates with a factory-installed second apparatus through a vehicle data bus using a first message. The method includes electrically disconnecting the vehicle data bus between the first apparatus and the second apparatus and electrically connecting a retrofit apparatus to the vehicle data bus. The method further includes transmitting a second message from the retrofit apparatus to the first apparatus which is indistinguishable from the first message.

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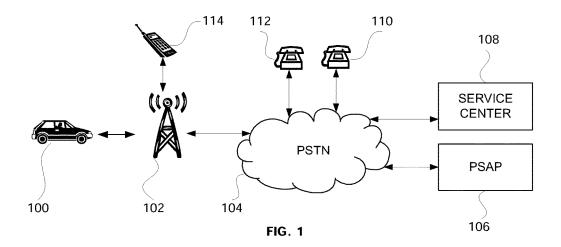
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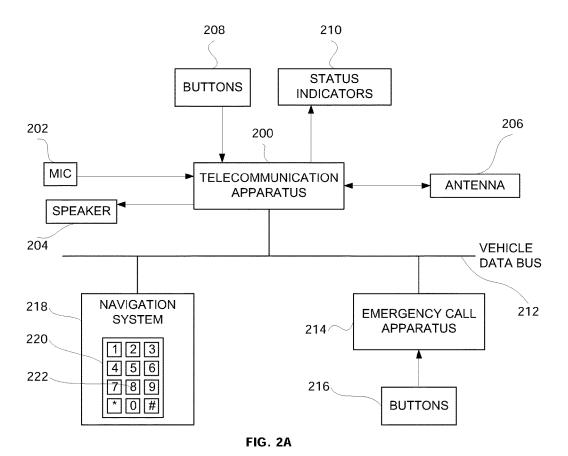
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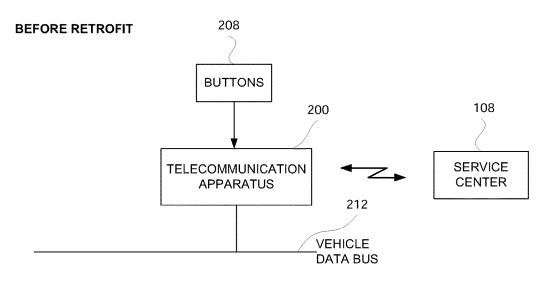


FIG. 2B (PRIOR ART)

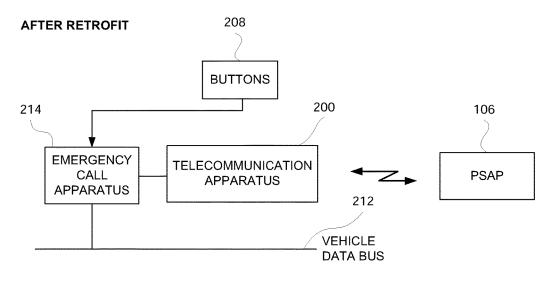
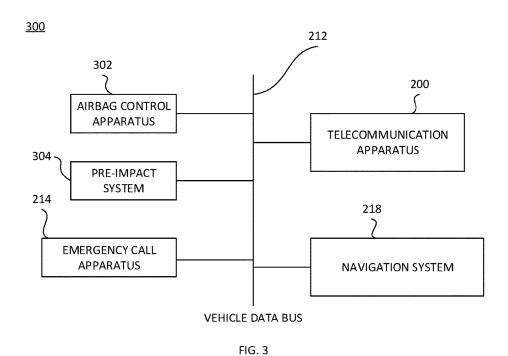


FIG. 2C





<u>400</u> 212 302 214 200 AIRBAG CONTROL **APPARATUS EMERGENCY CALL TELECOMMUNICATION APPARATUS APPARATUS** 304 218 PRE-IMPACT **SYSTEM NAVIGATION SYSTEM** VEHICLE DATA BUS

FIG. 4

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