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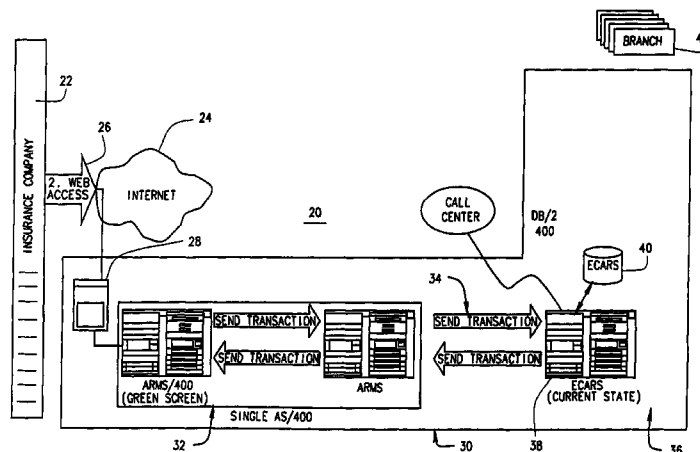
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

An Internet enabled, business-to-business computerized transaction system is disclosed in its preferred embodiment for use in providing rental car services for high volume users and comprises an Internet web portal through which the high volume user may access a plurality of service providers including an integrated business computer network for at least one rental vehicle service provider. The rental vehicle services provider computer network is configured to interconnect a geographically diverse plurality of branch offices, cataloguing their available rental vehicles and schedules for same as well as handling all transactional data relating to its business. The Internet web portal provides ubiquitous connectivity and portability for a multi-level business organization who regularly places high volumes of rental purchases with its business partner and also those other service providers who may or may not have the same integrated business computer system and software. Utilizing the method and apparatus of the present invention large volumes of rental transactions may be placed, monitored, altered during performance, and closed out with financial accounting and payment being made virtually without human intervention.

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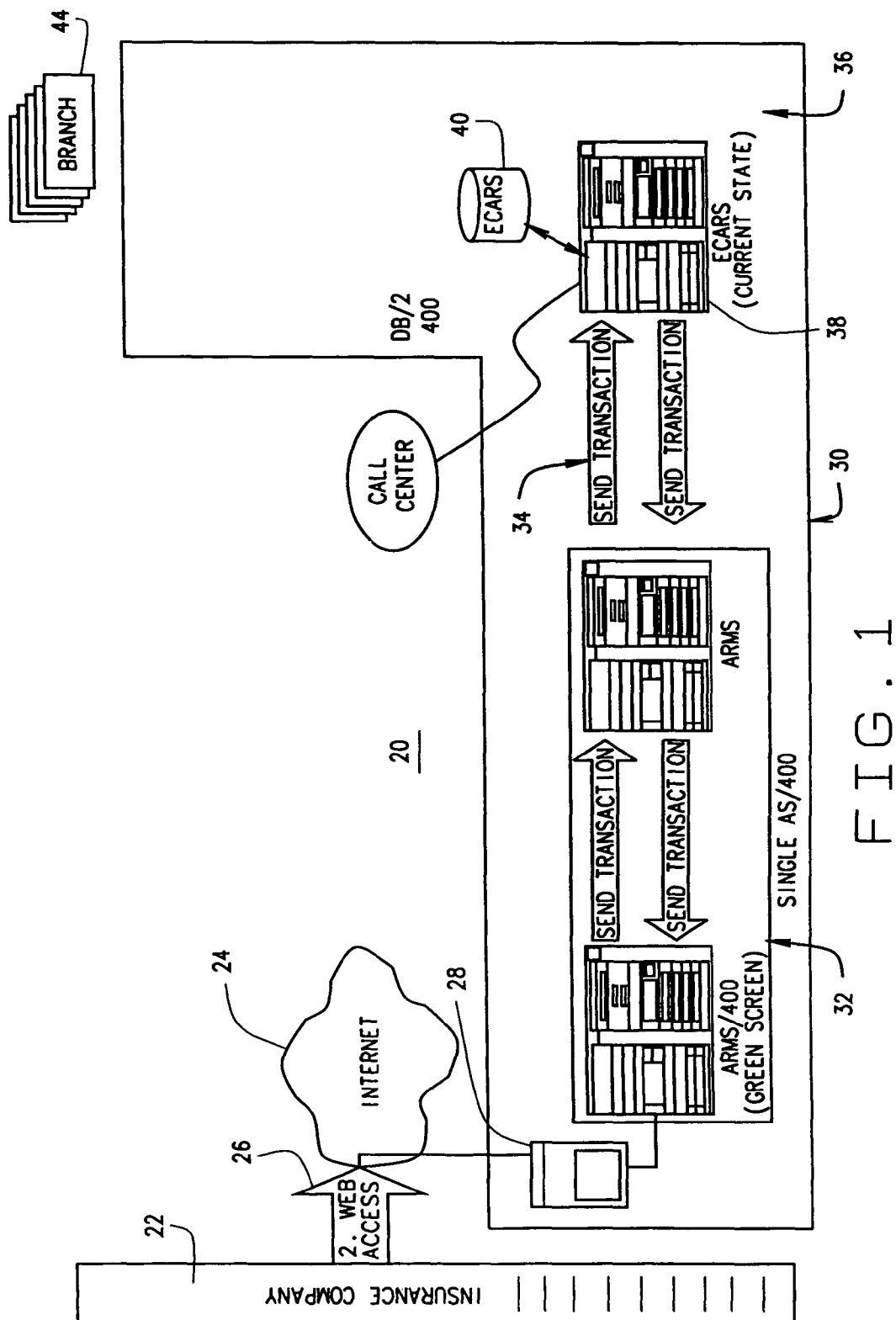
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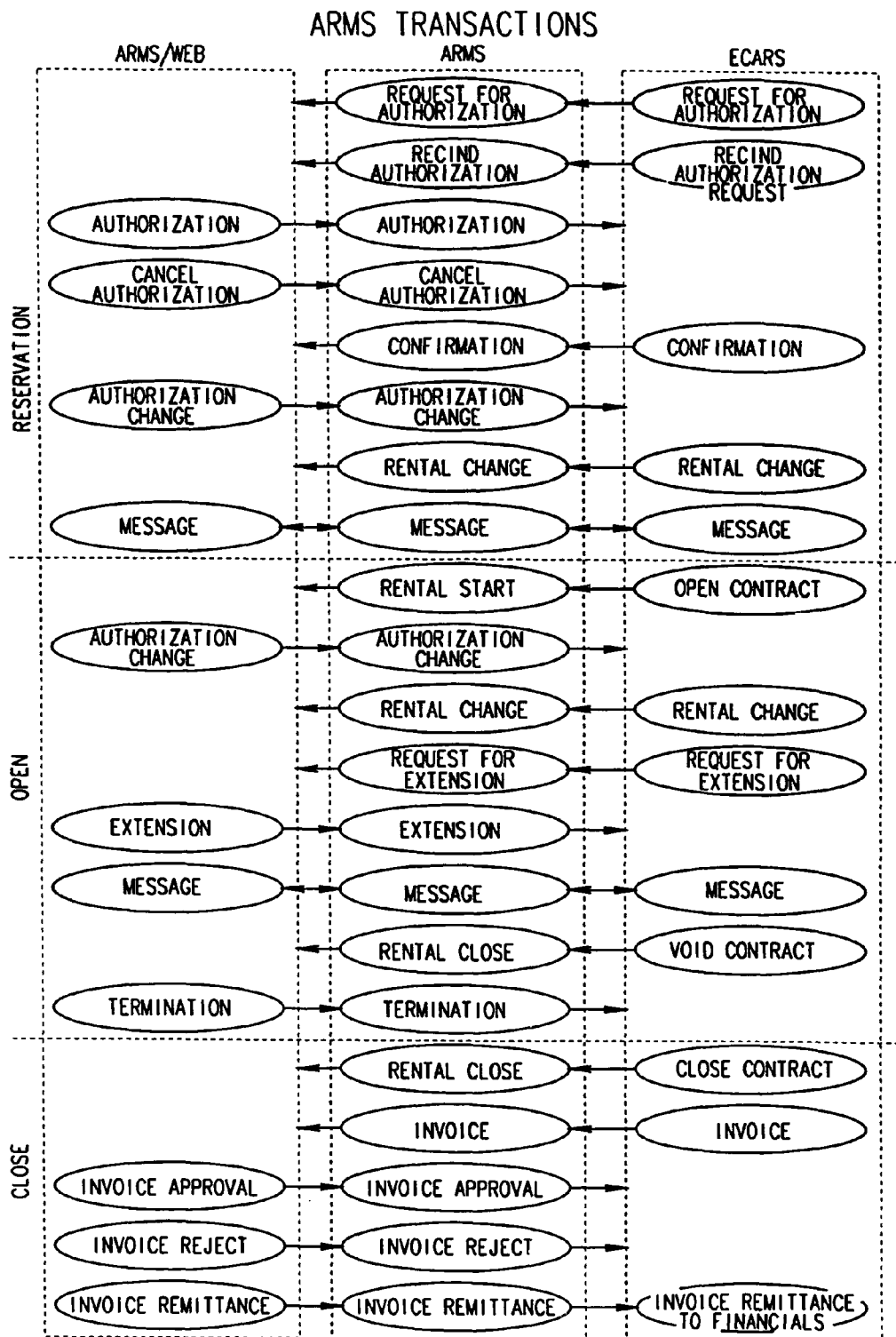


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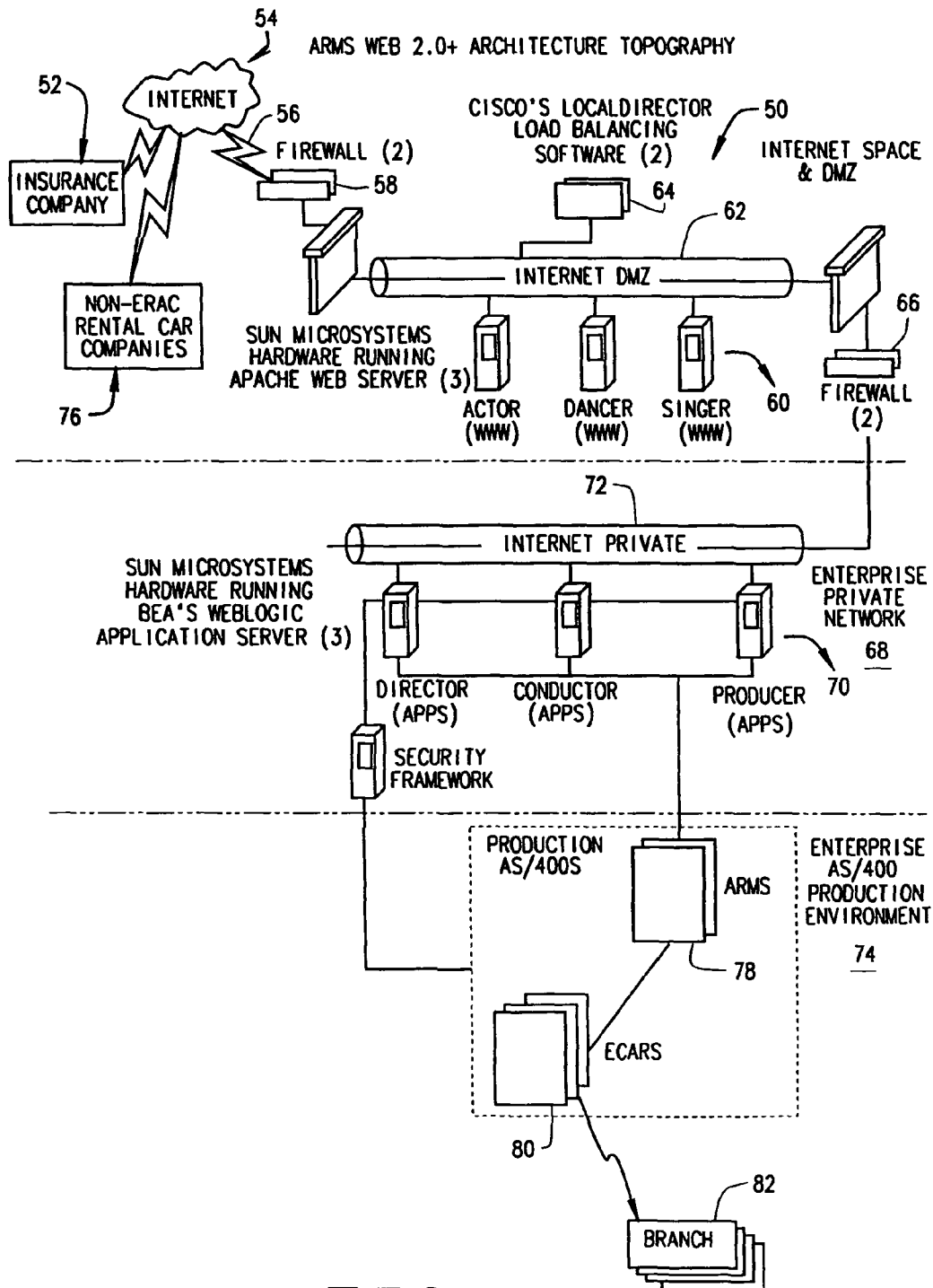


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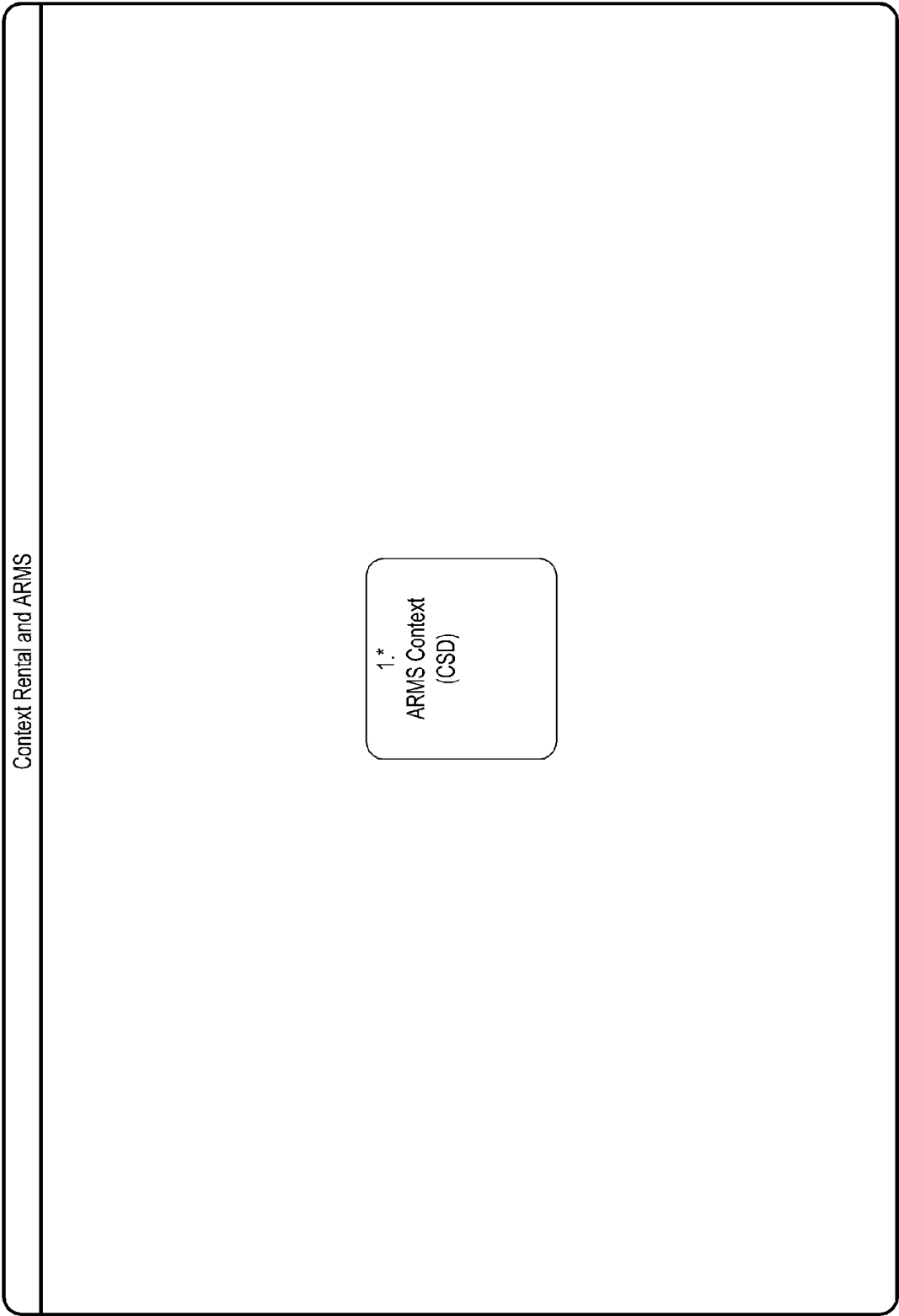


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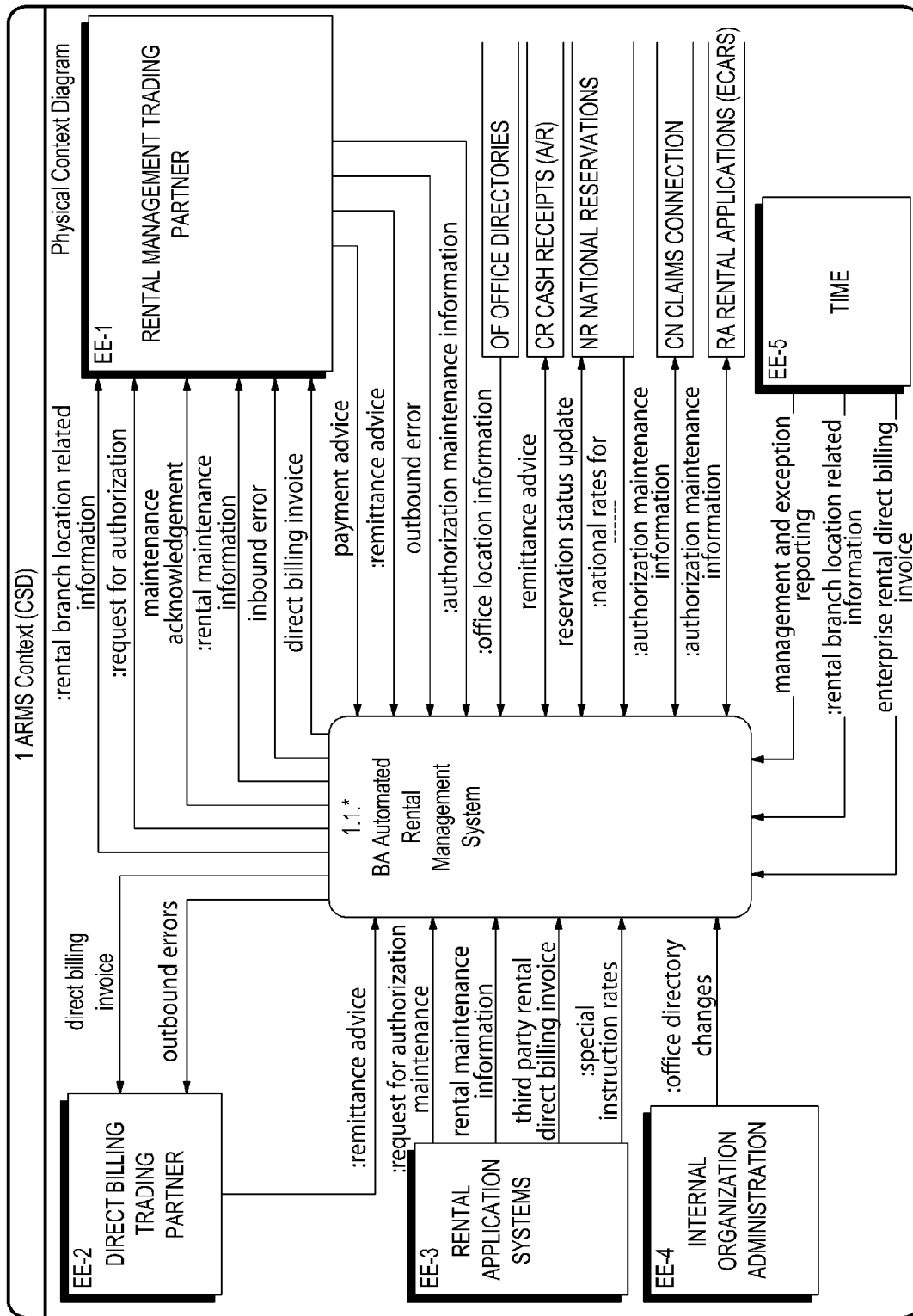


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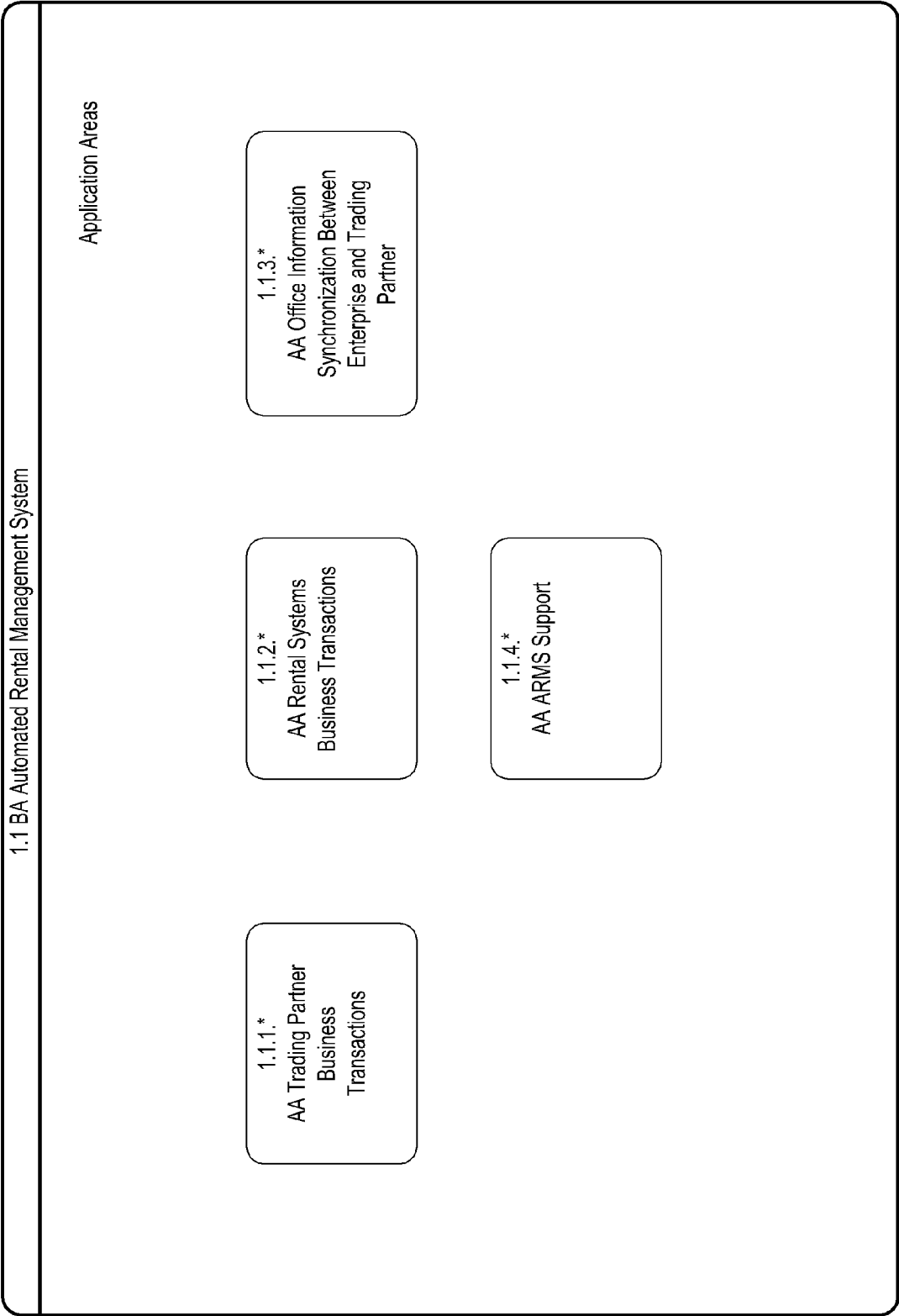


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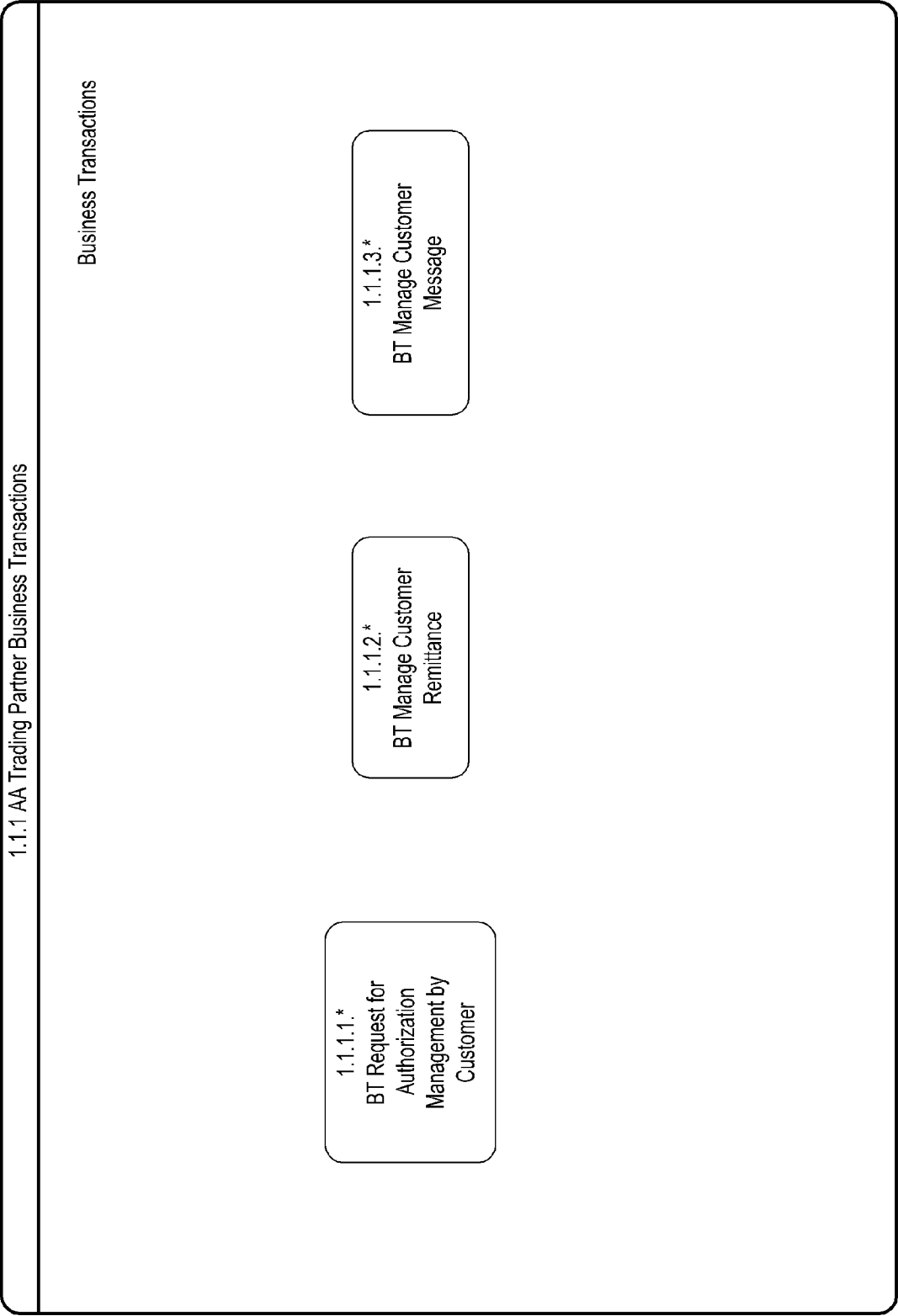


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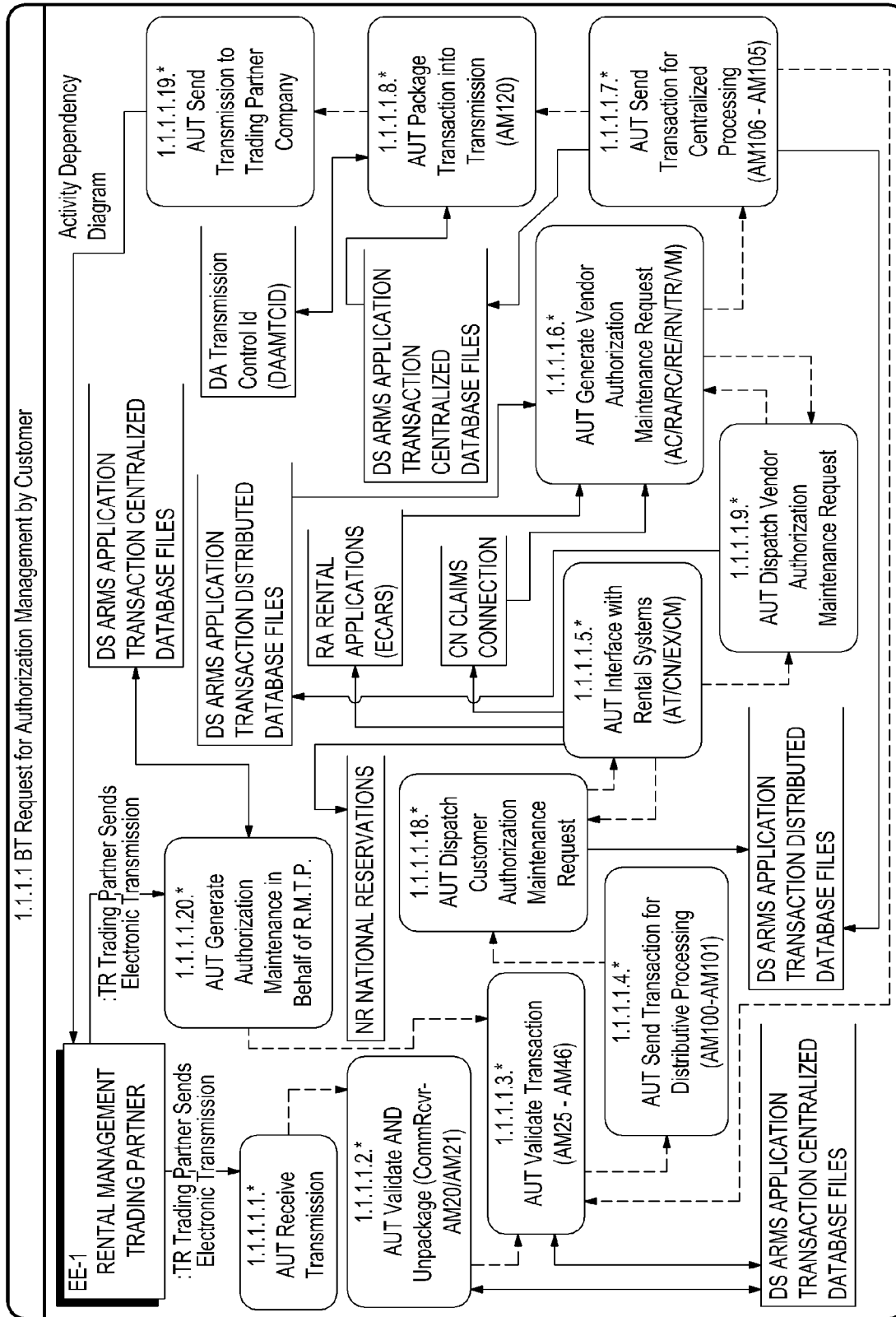
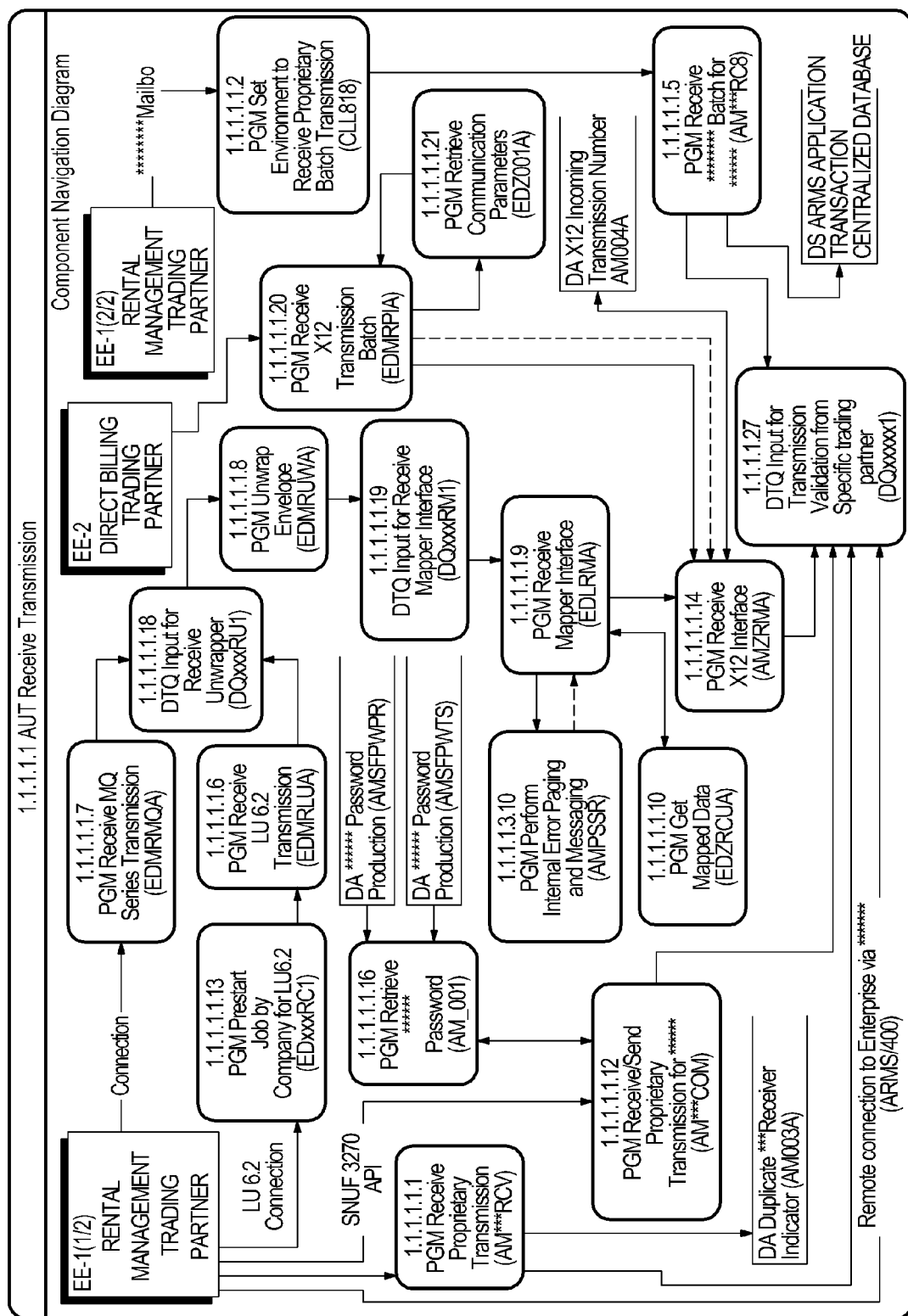


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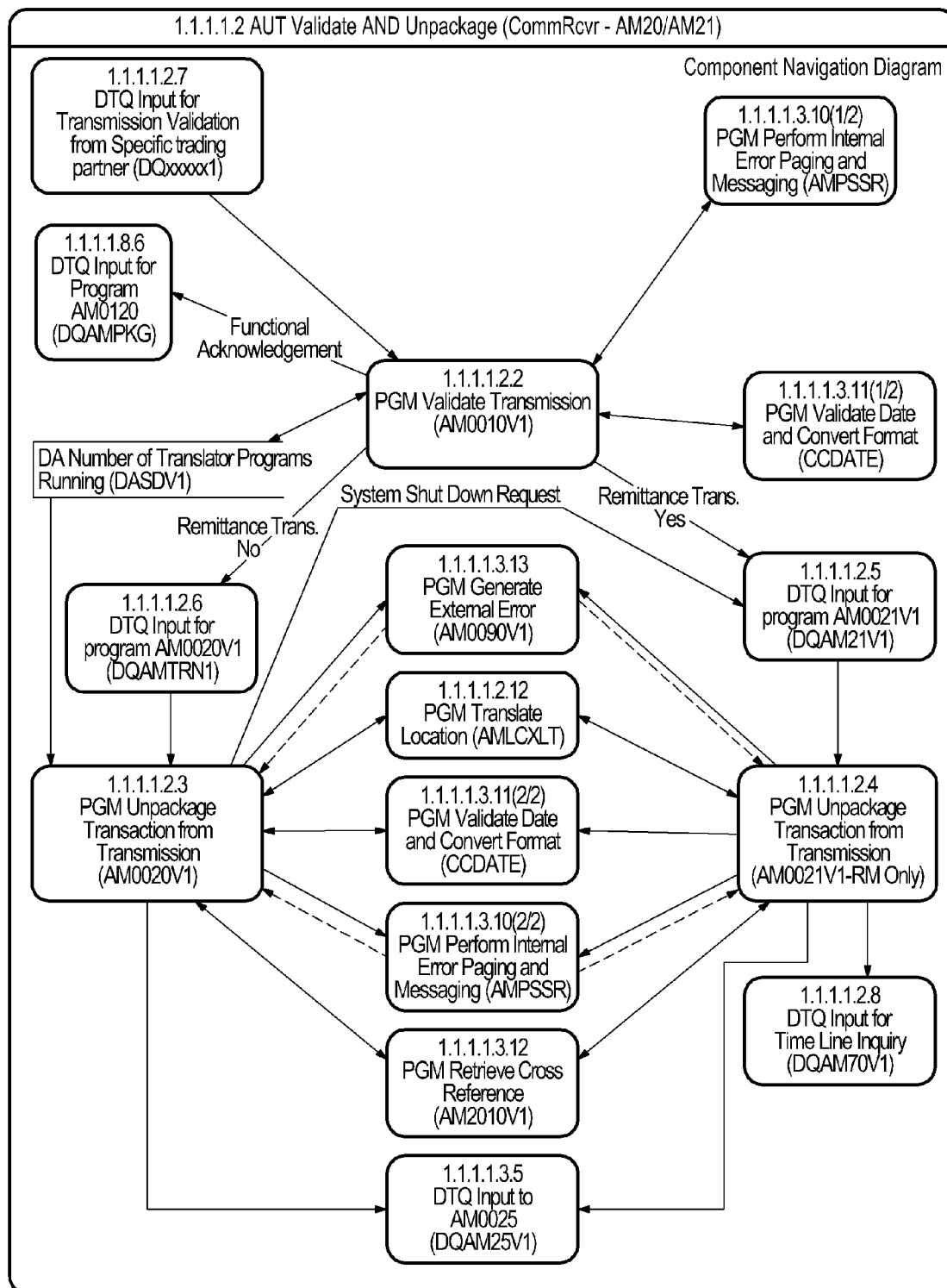
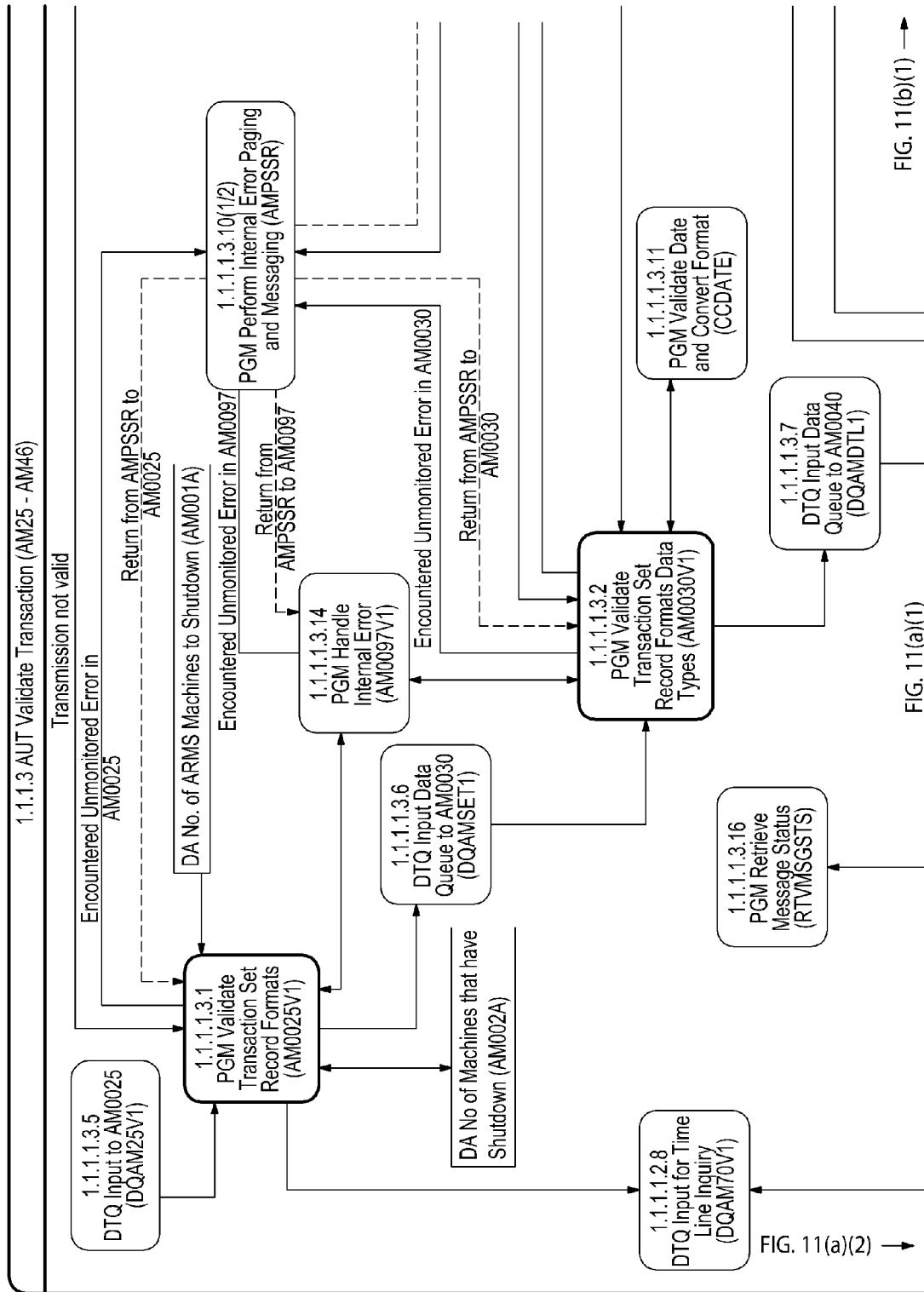


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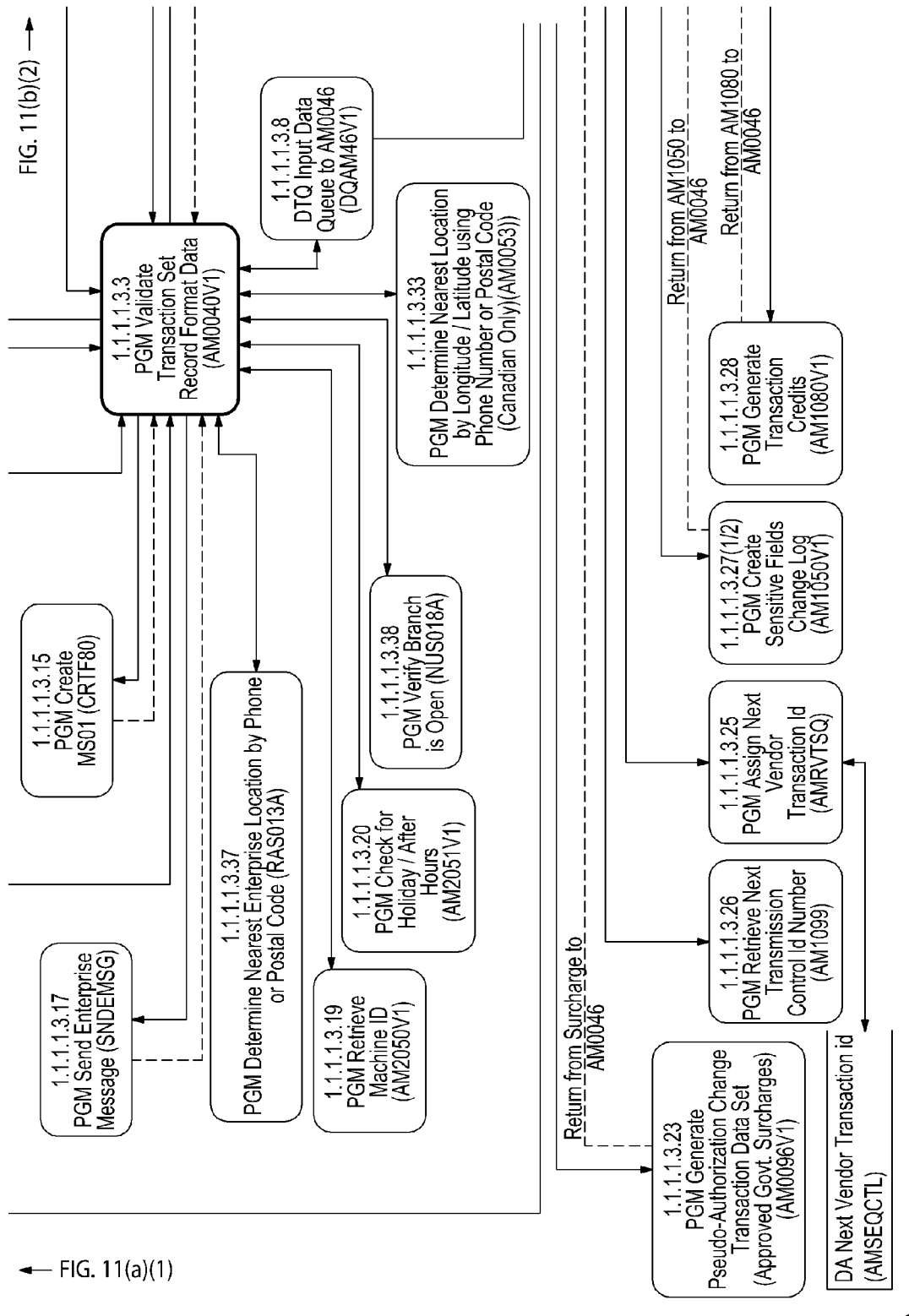
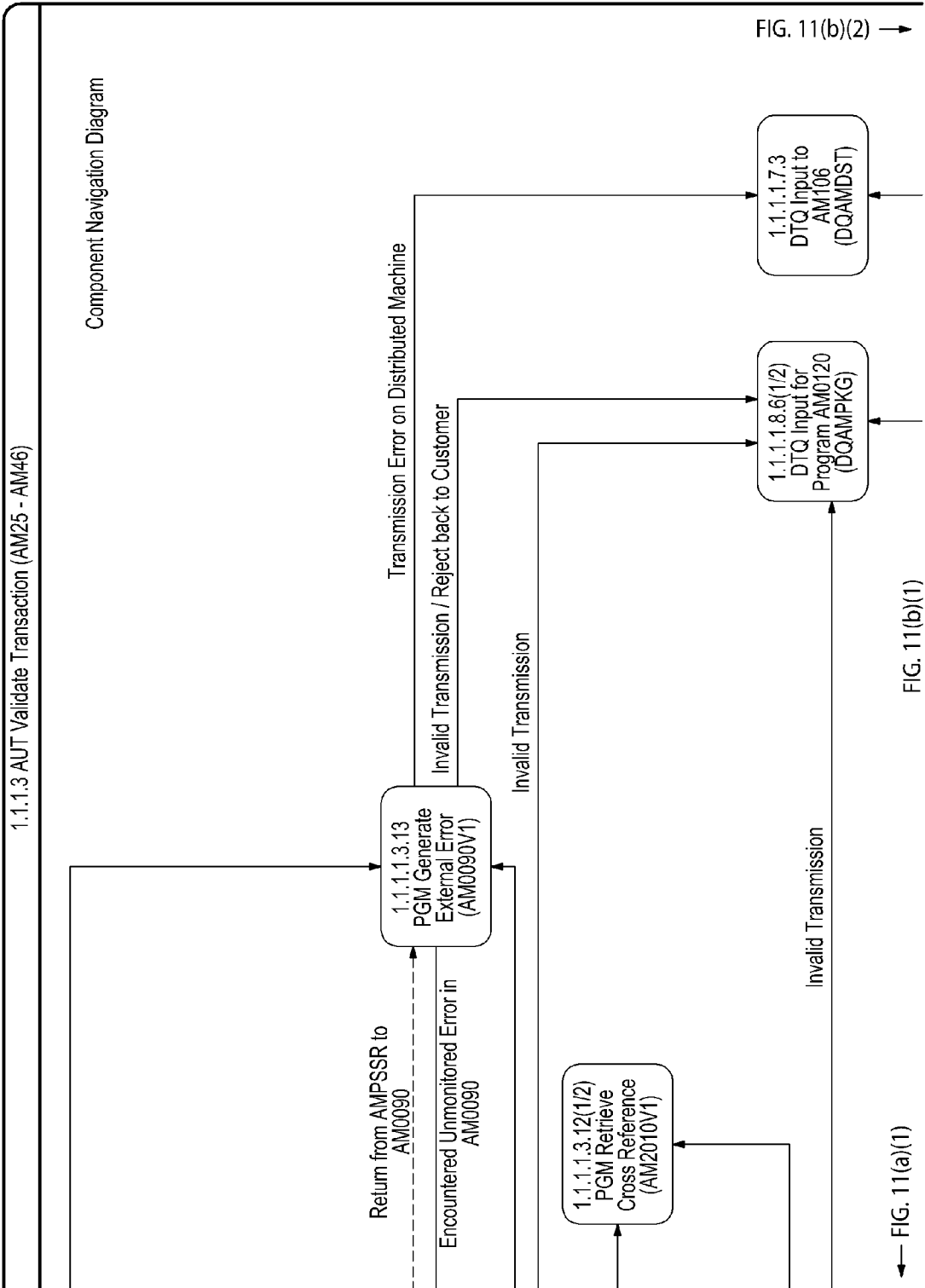
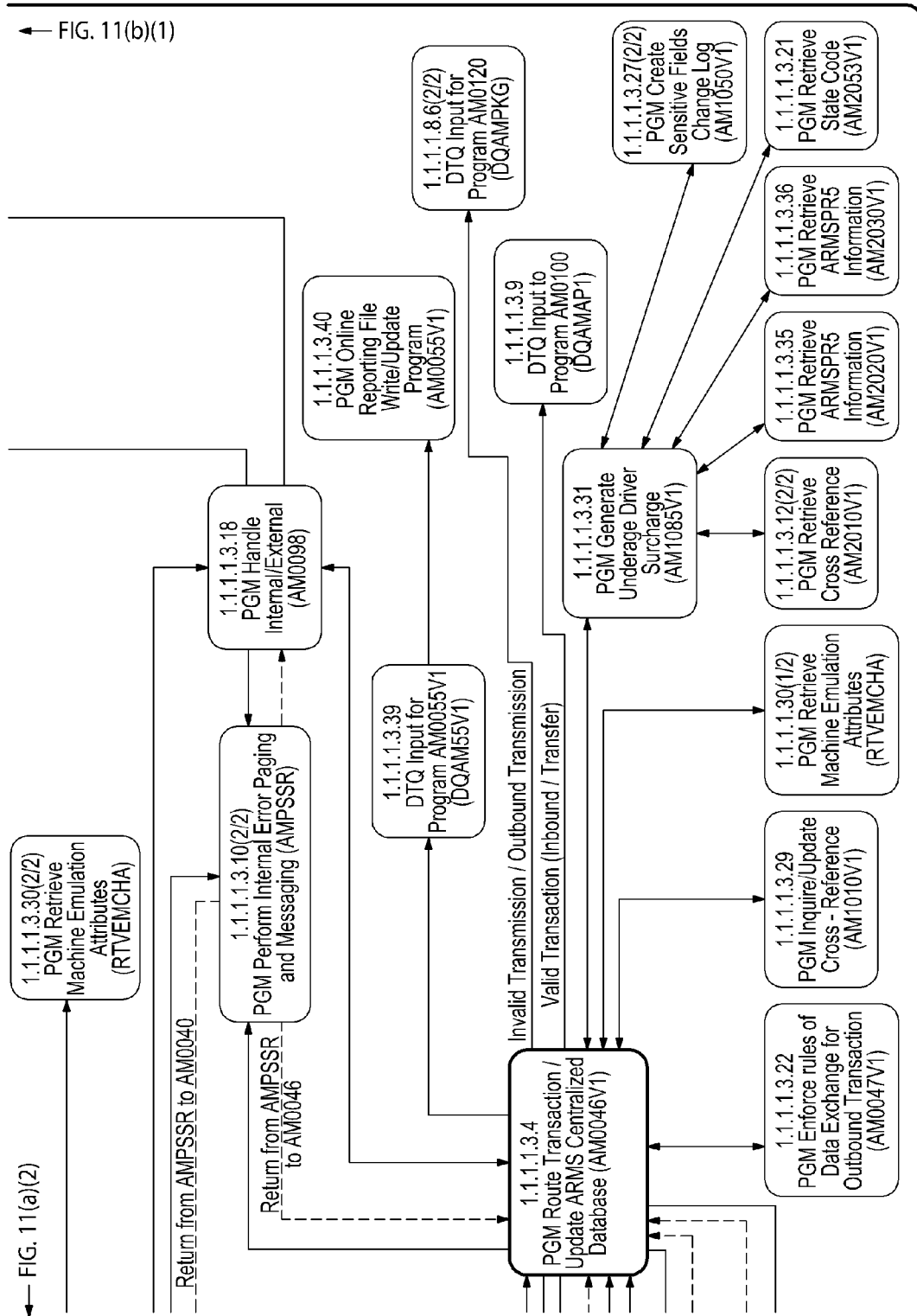


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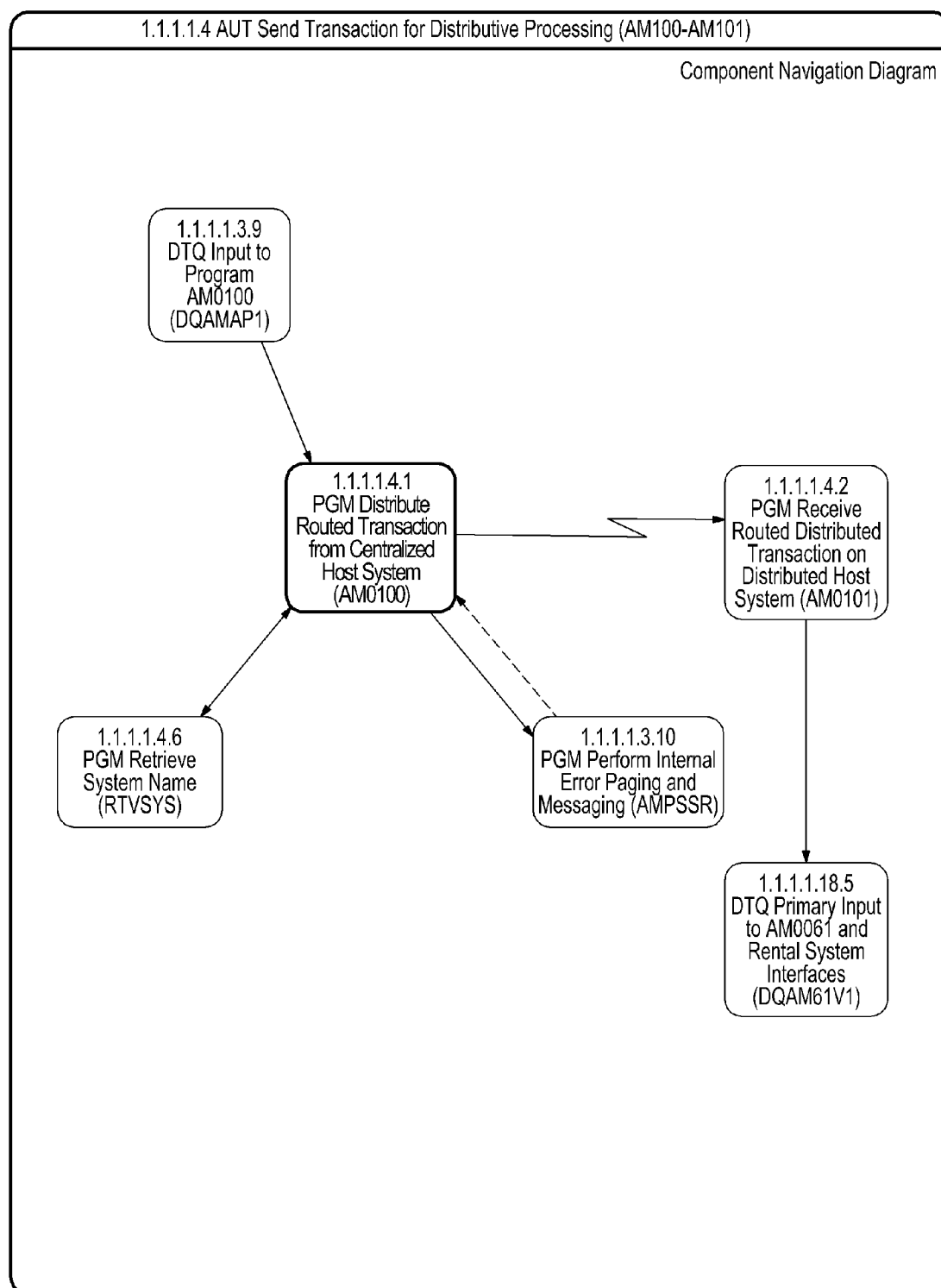


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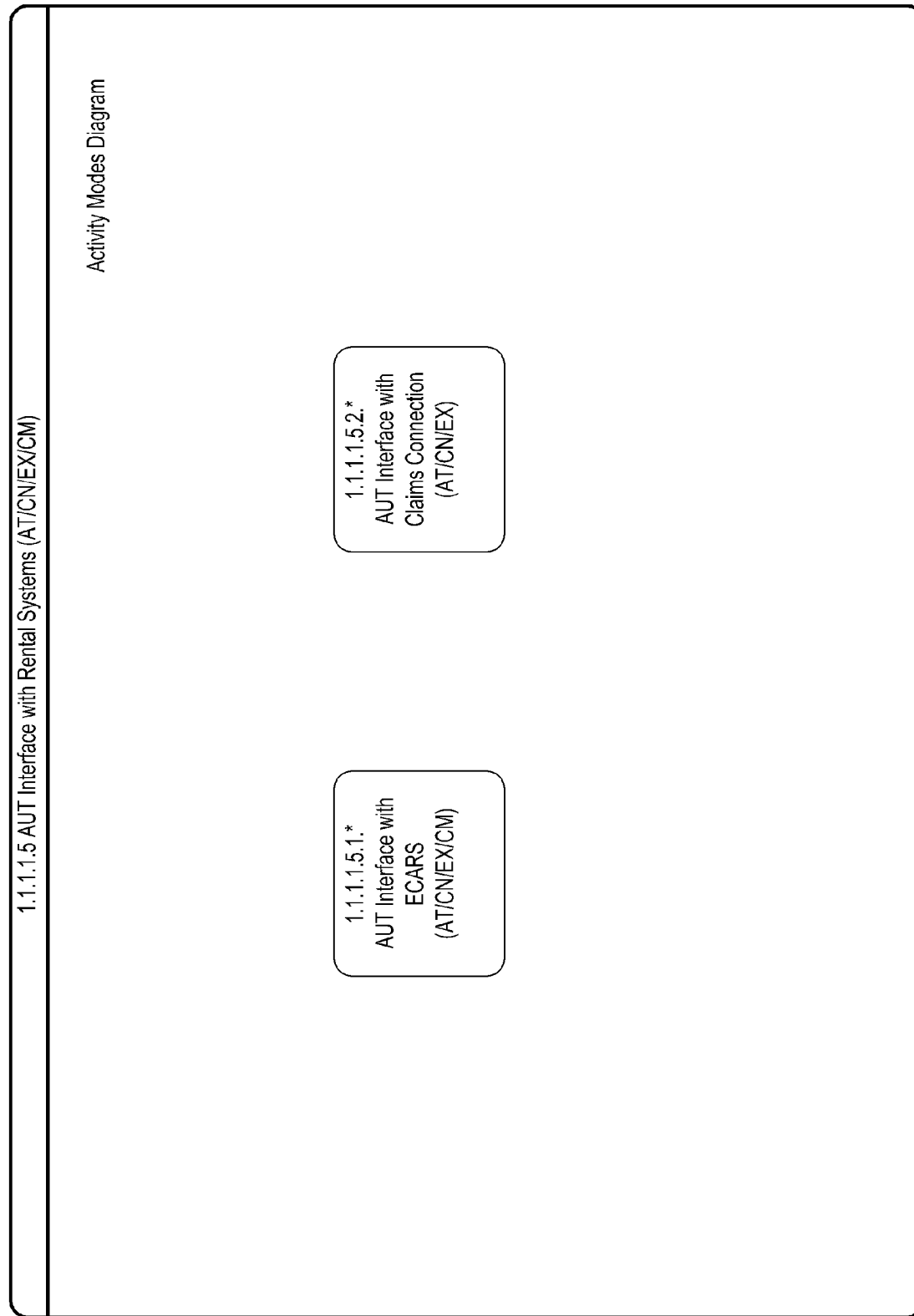


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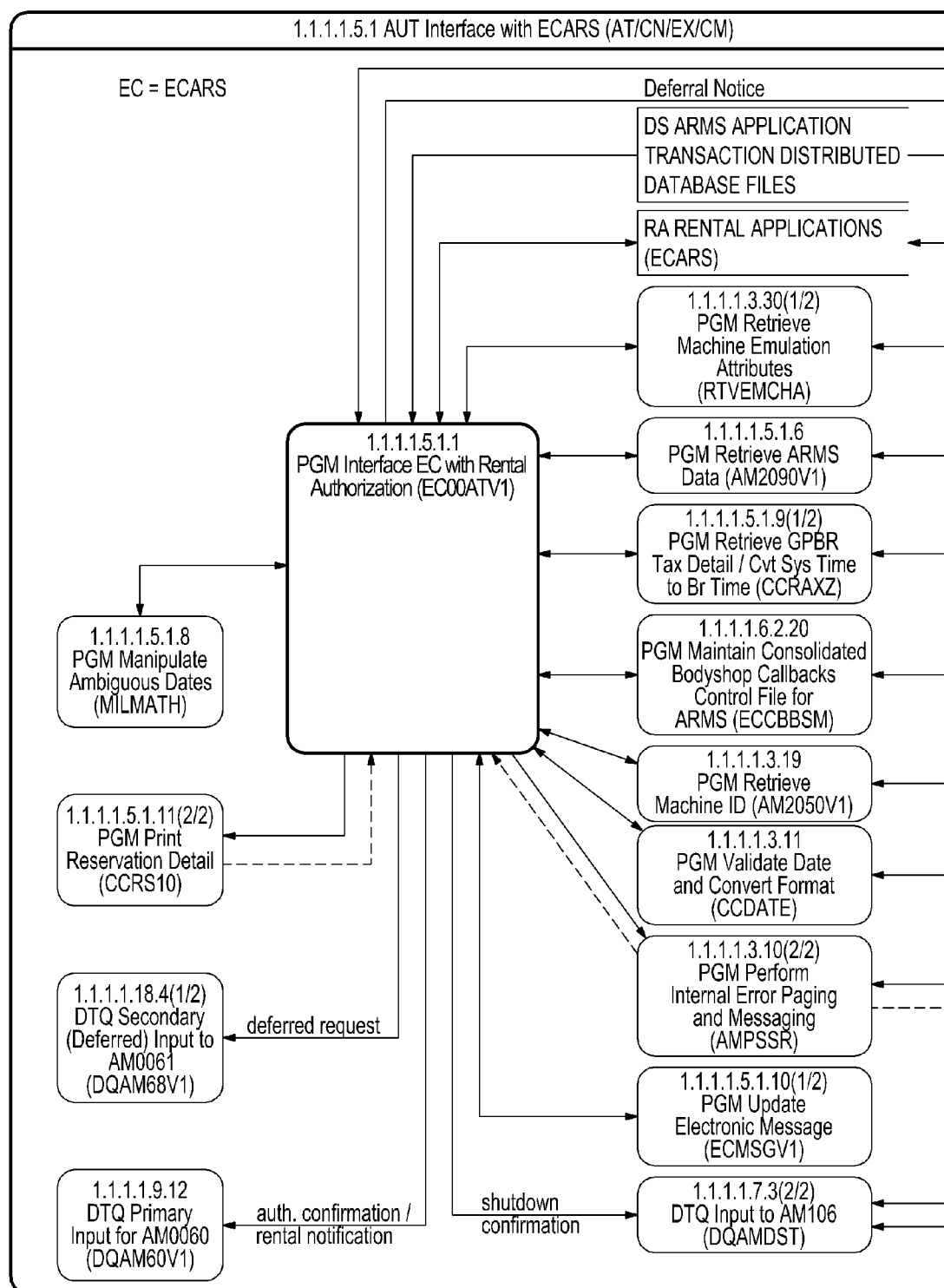
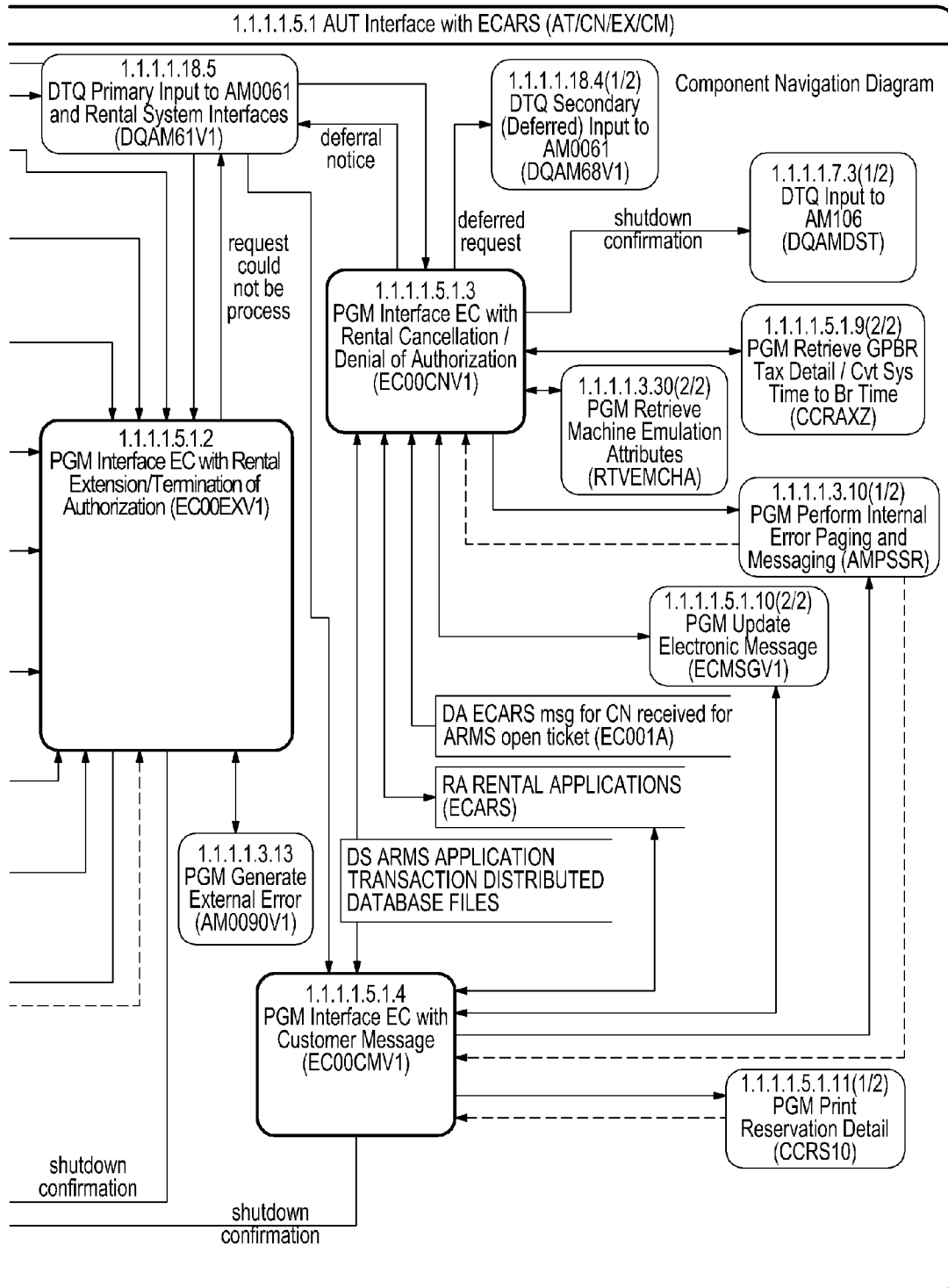


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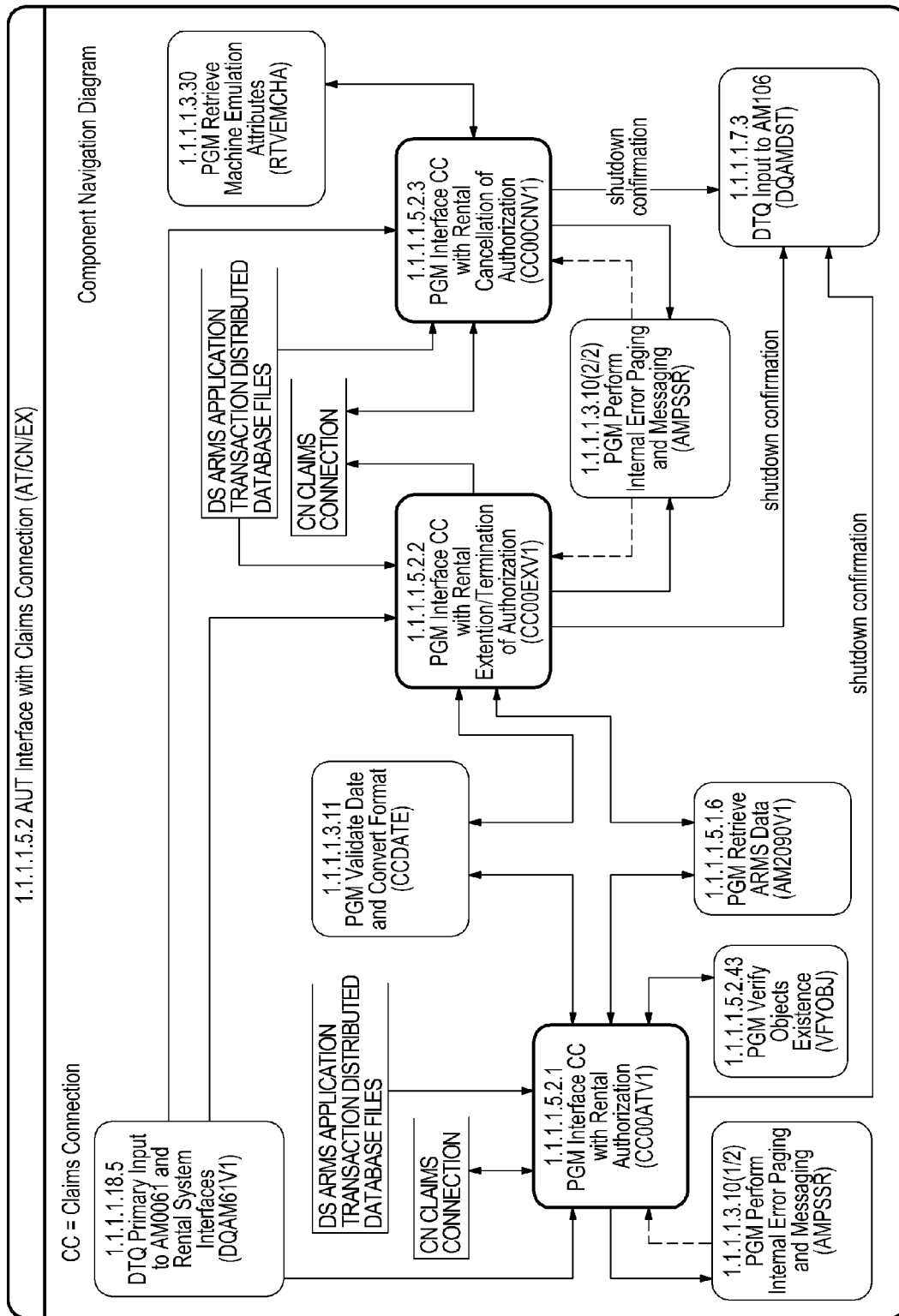


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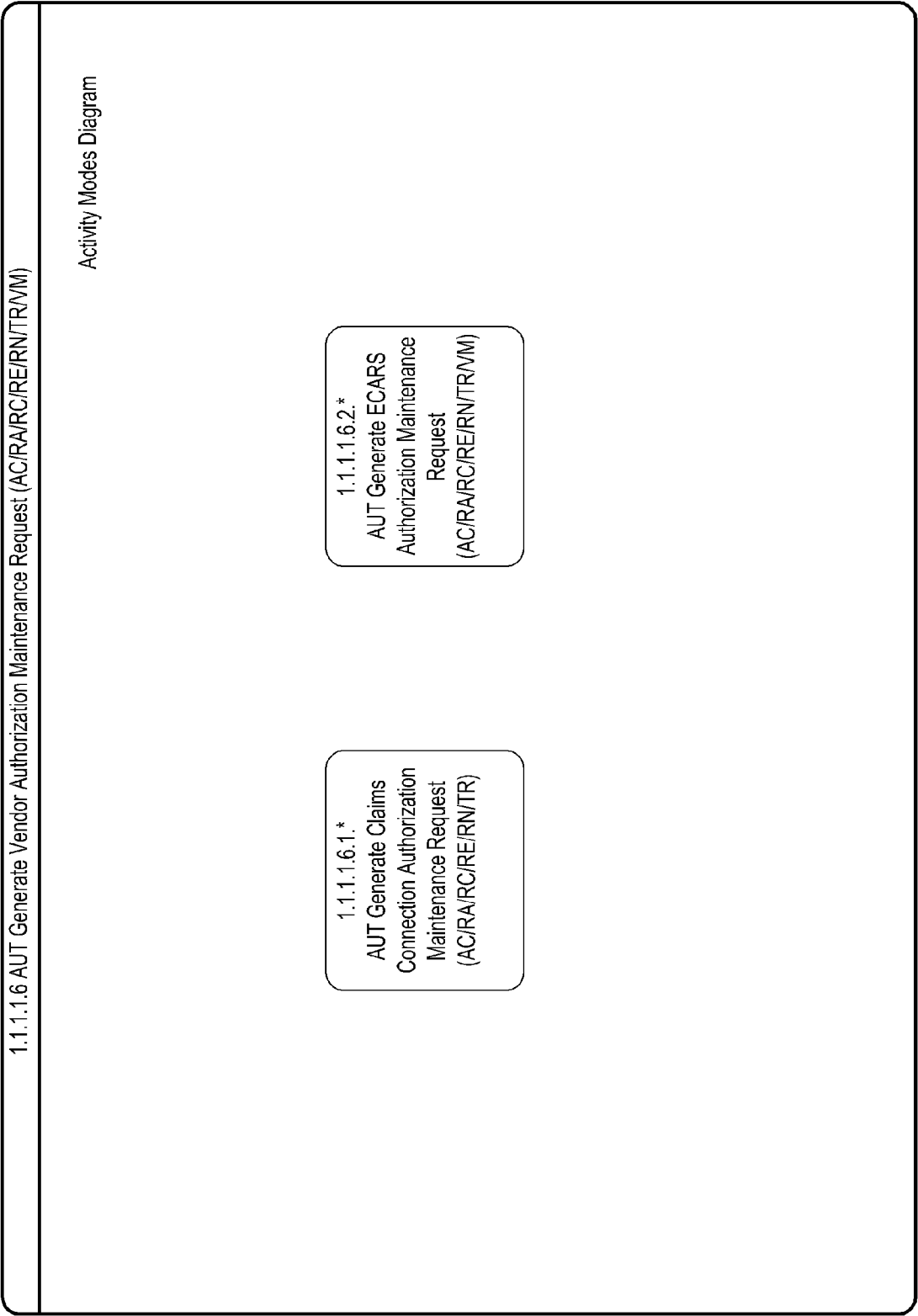


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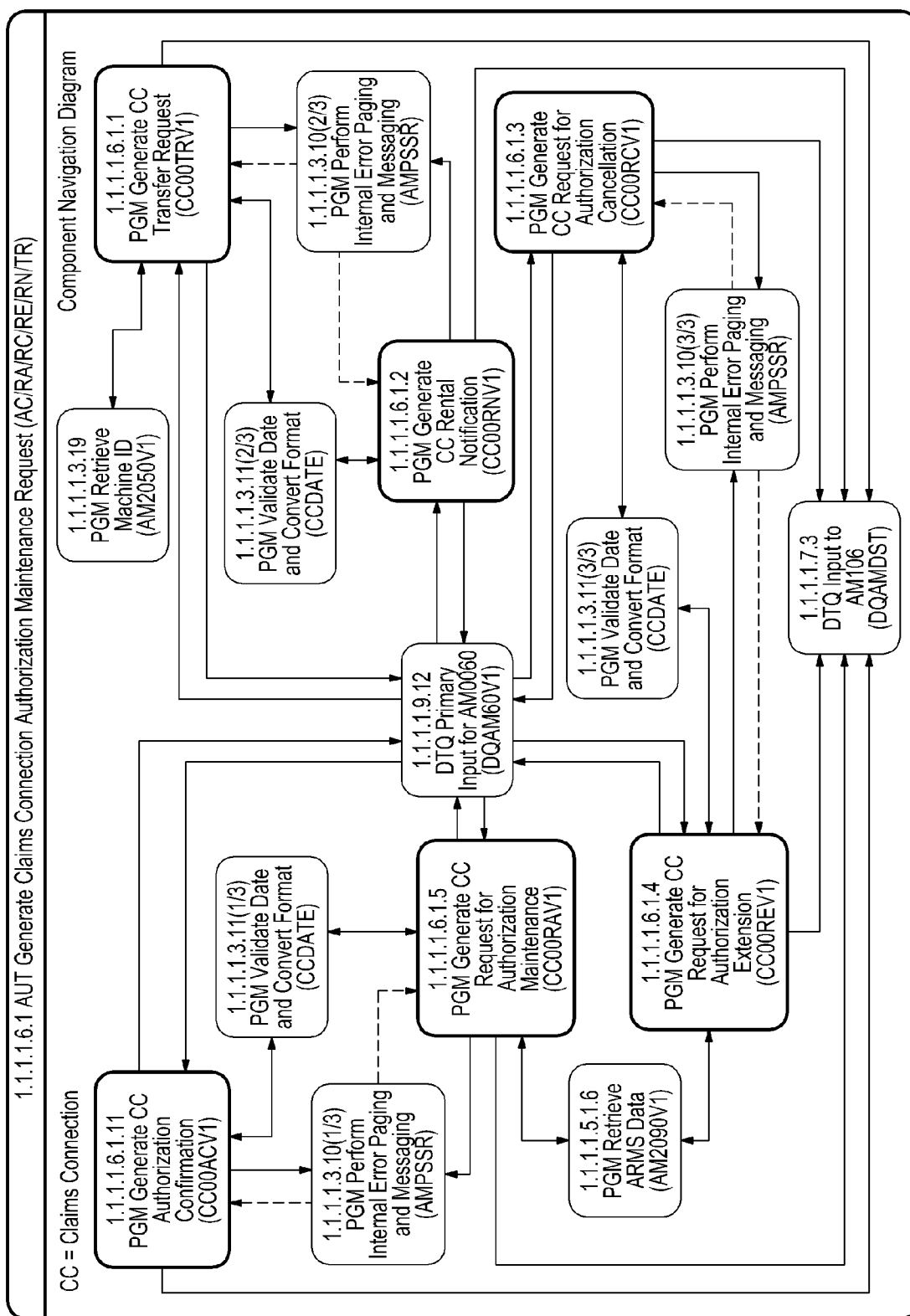


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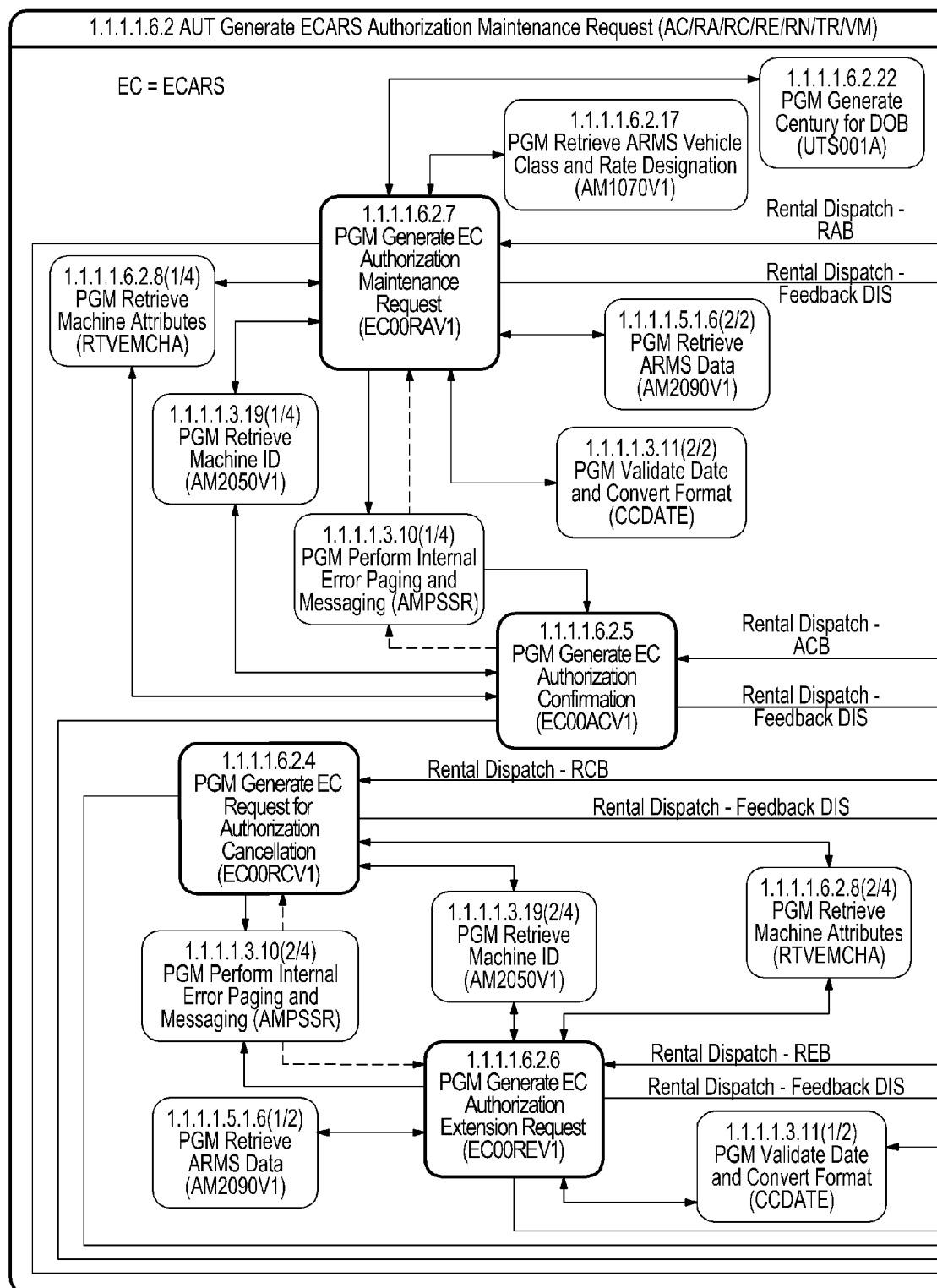
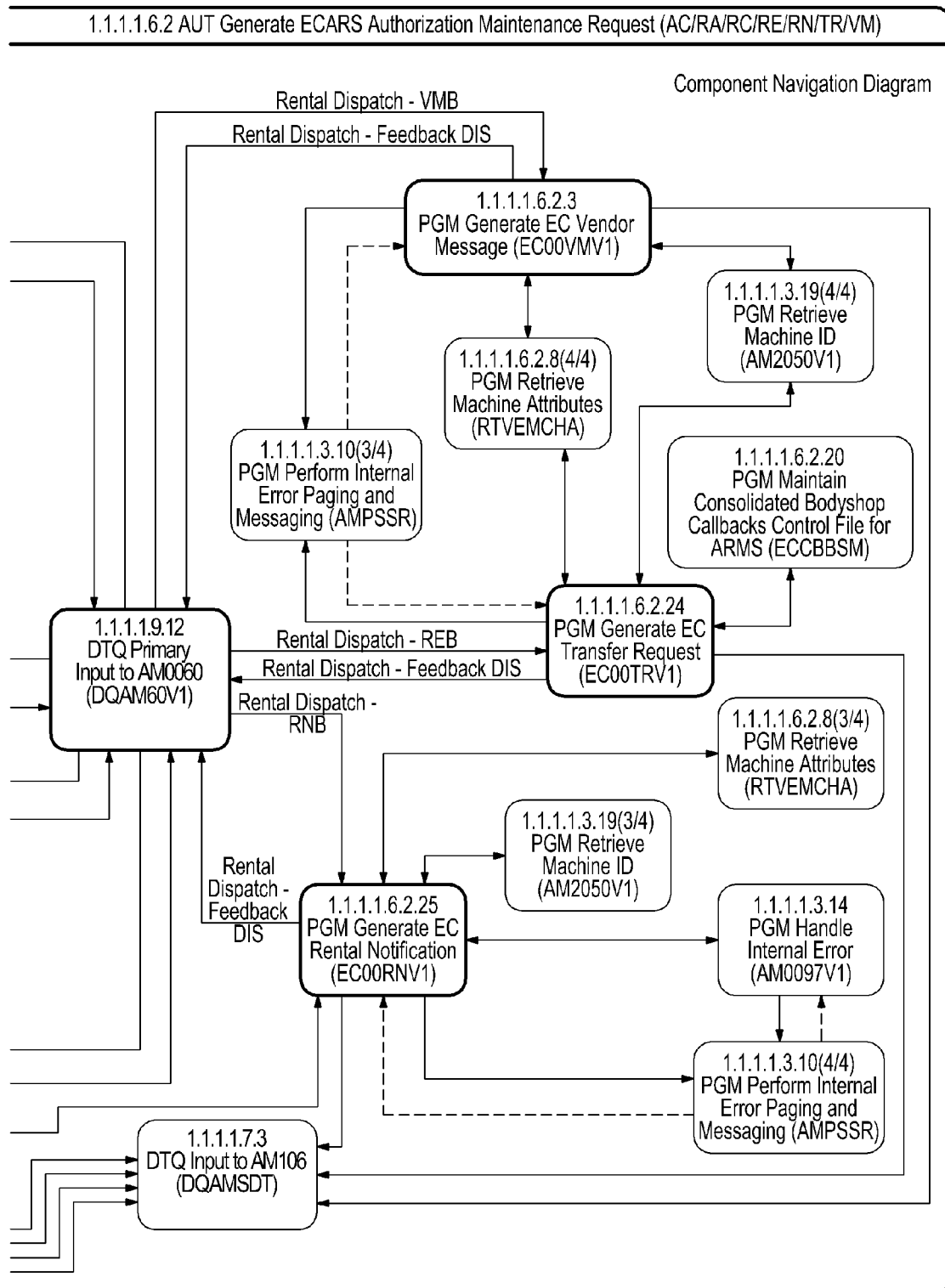


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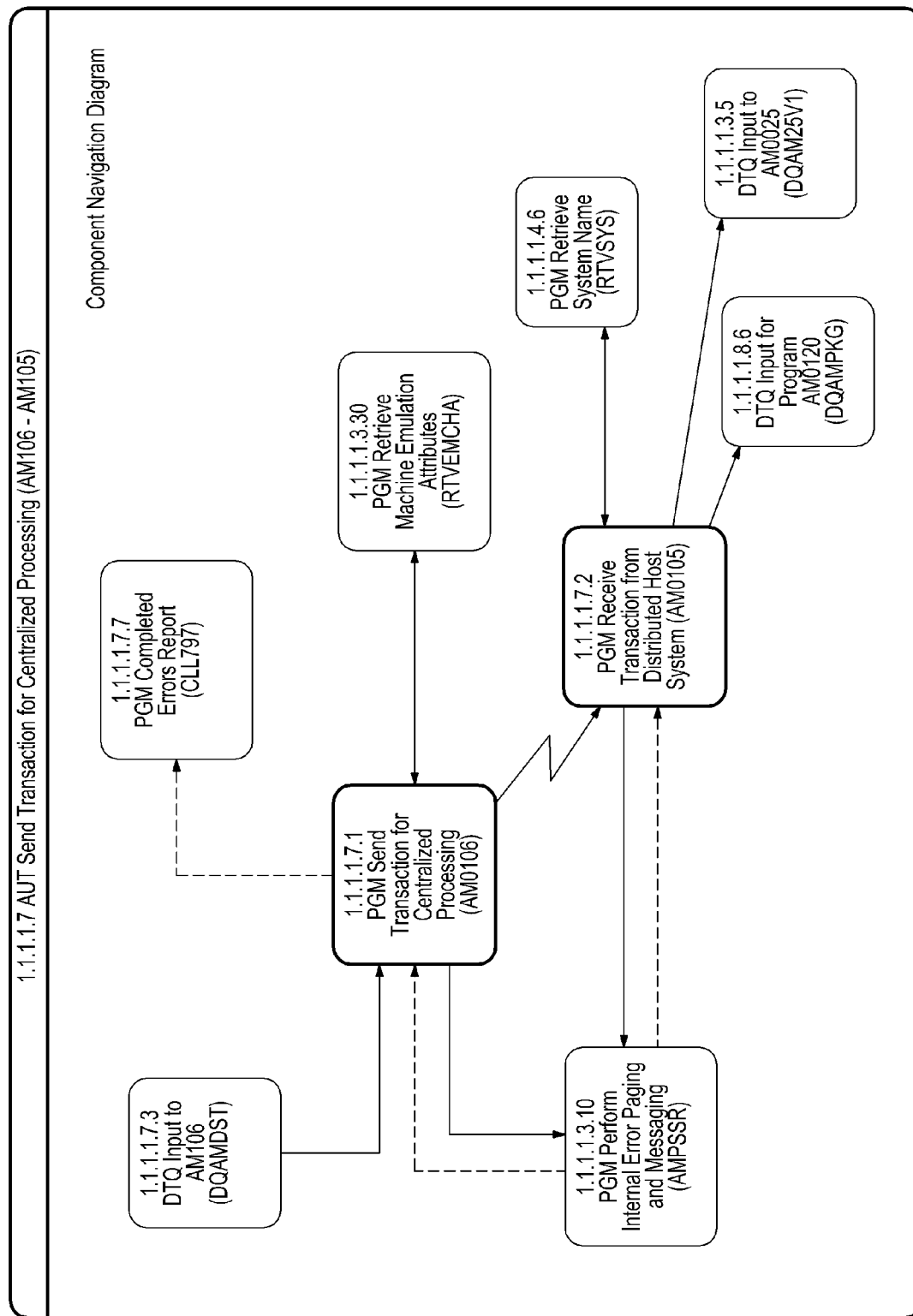


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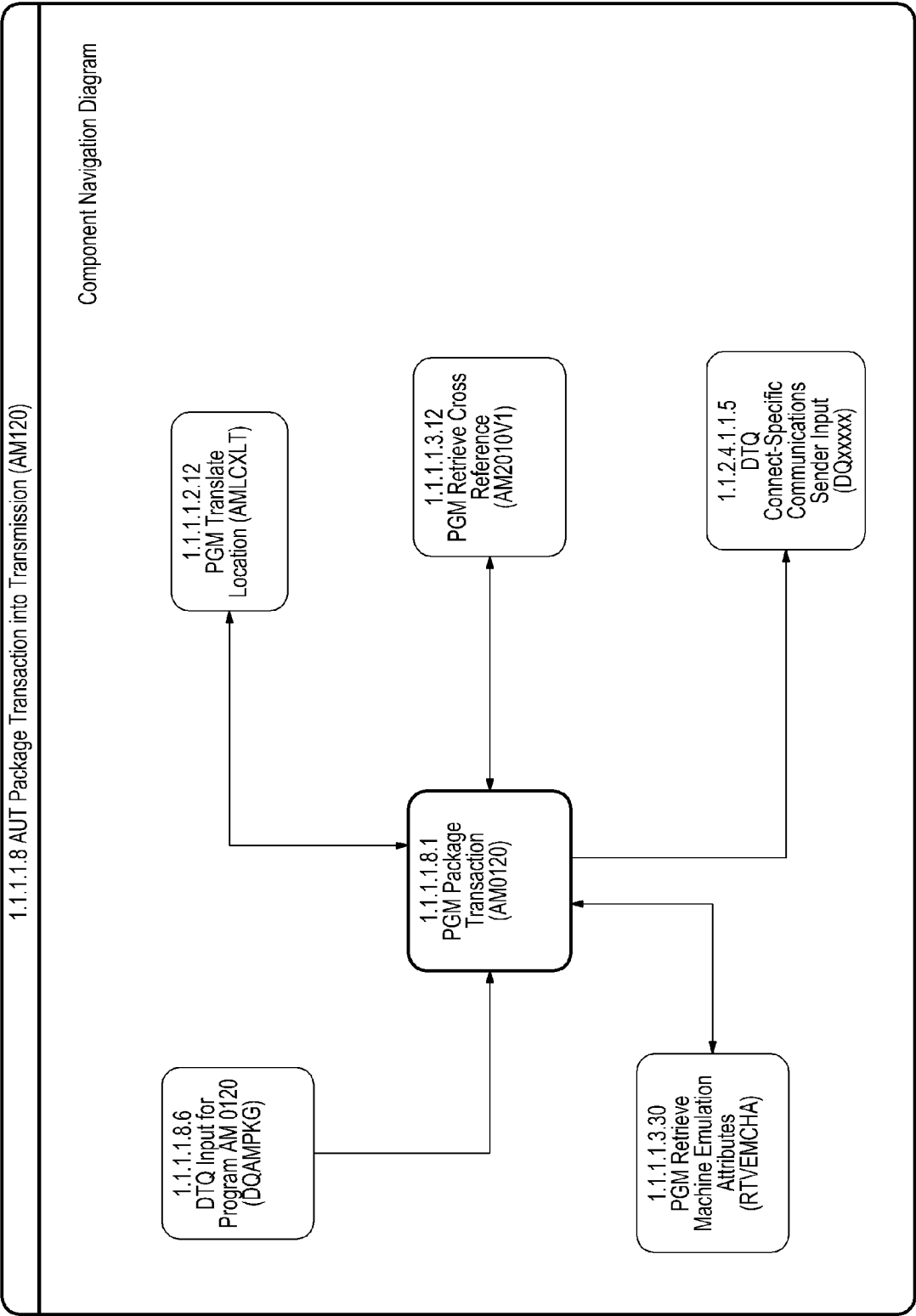


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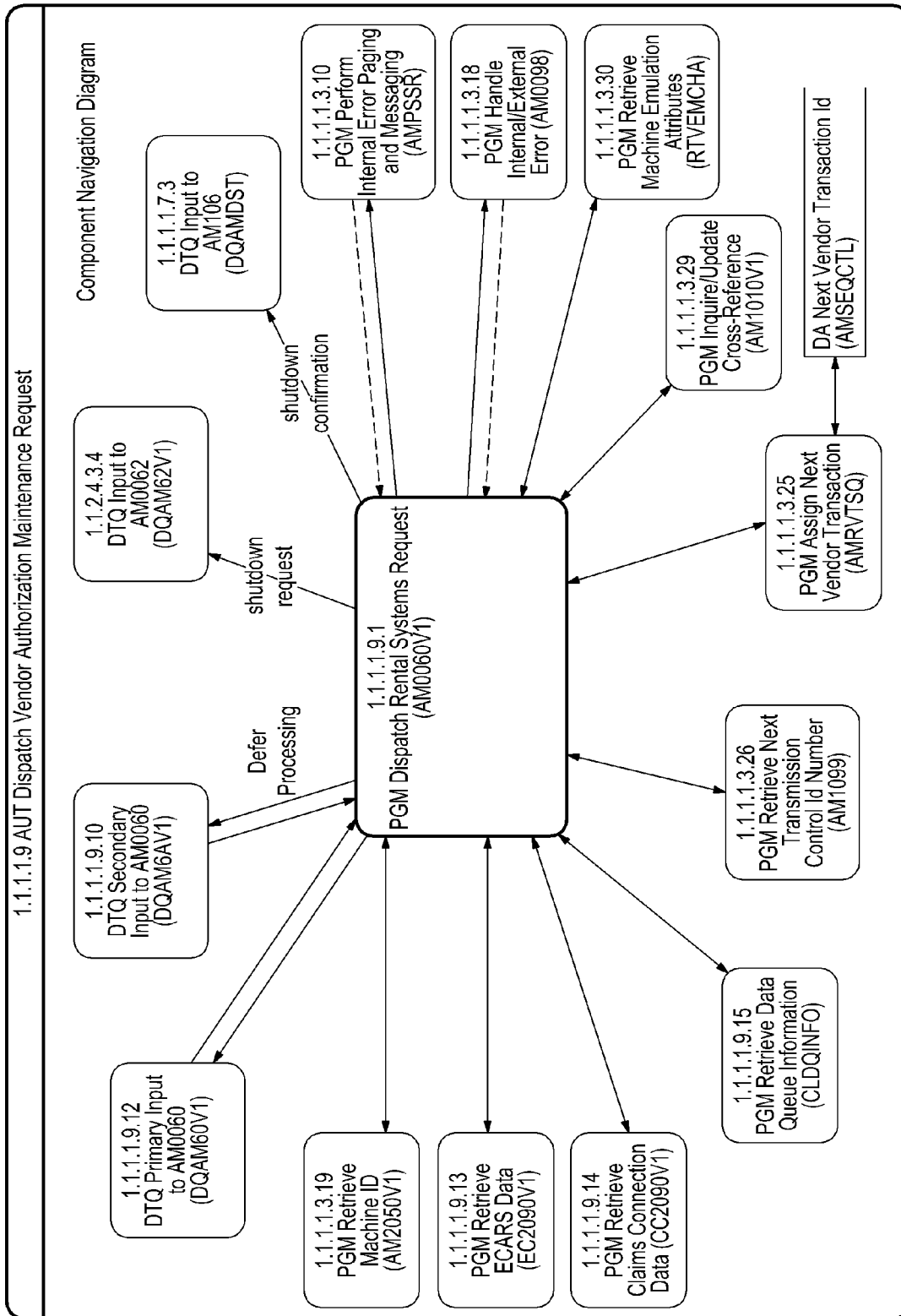


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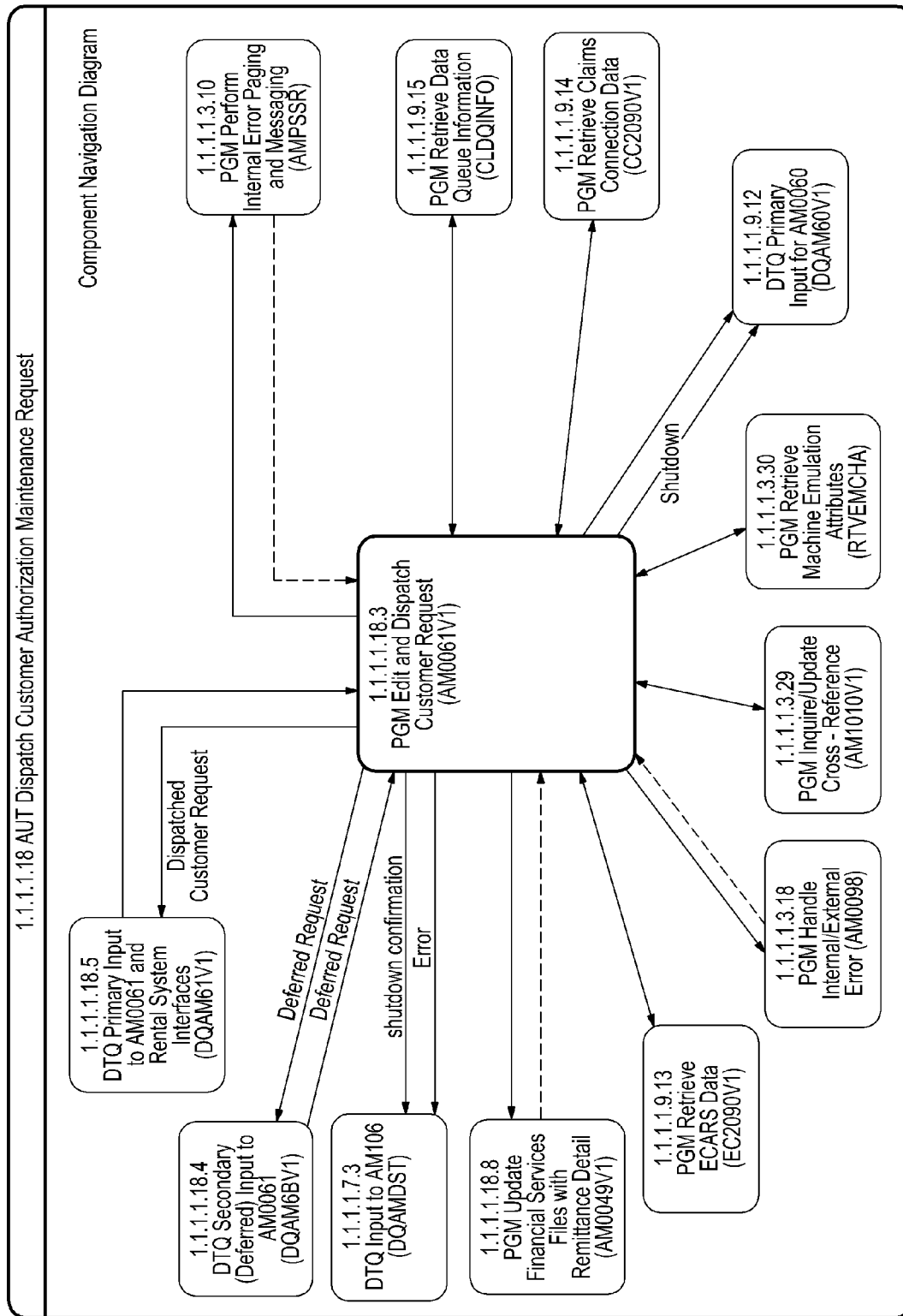


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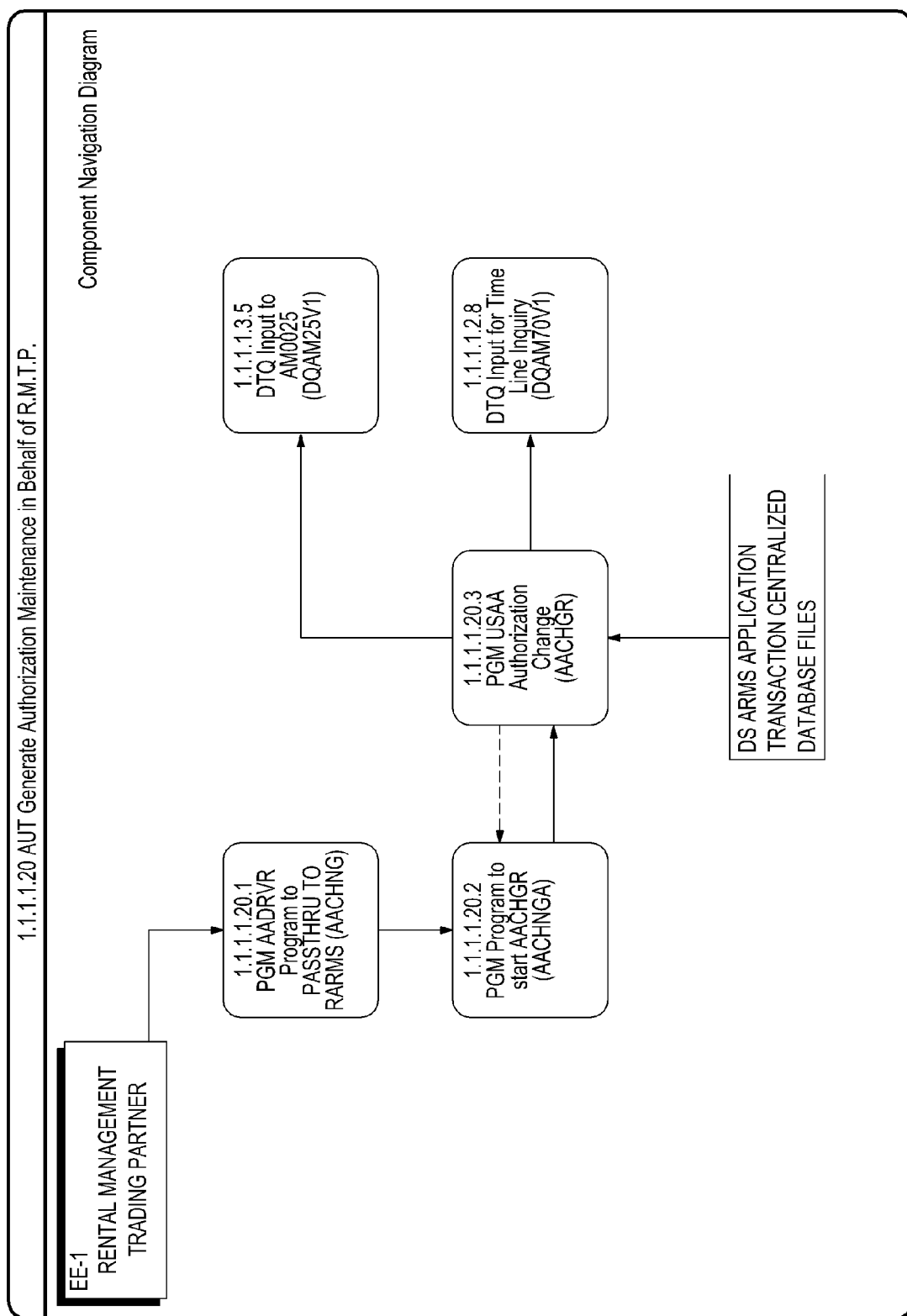


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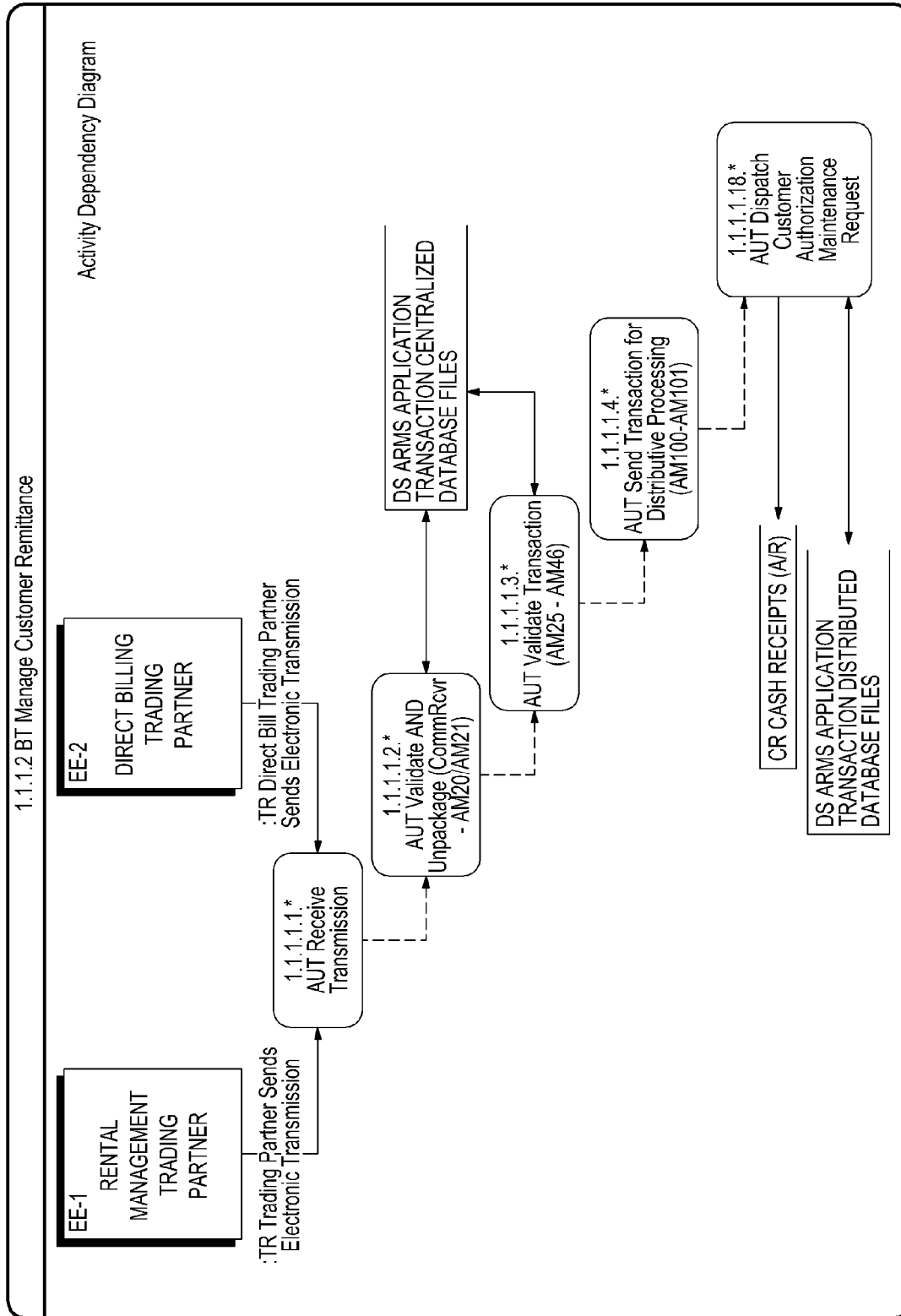


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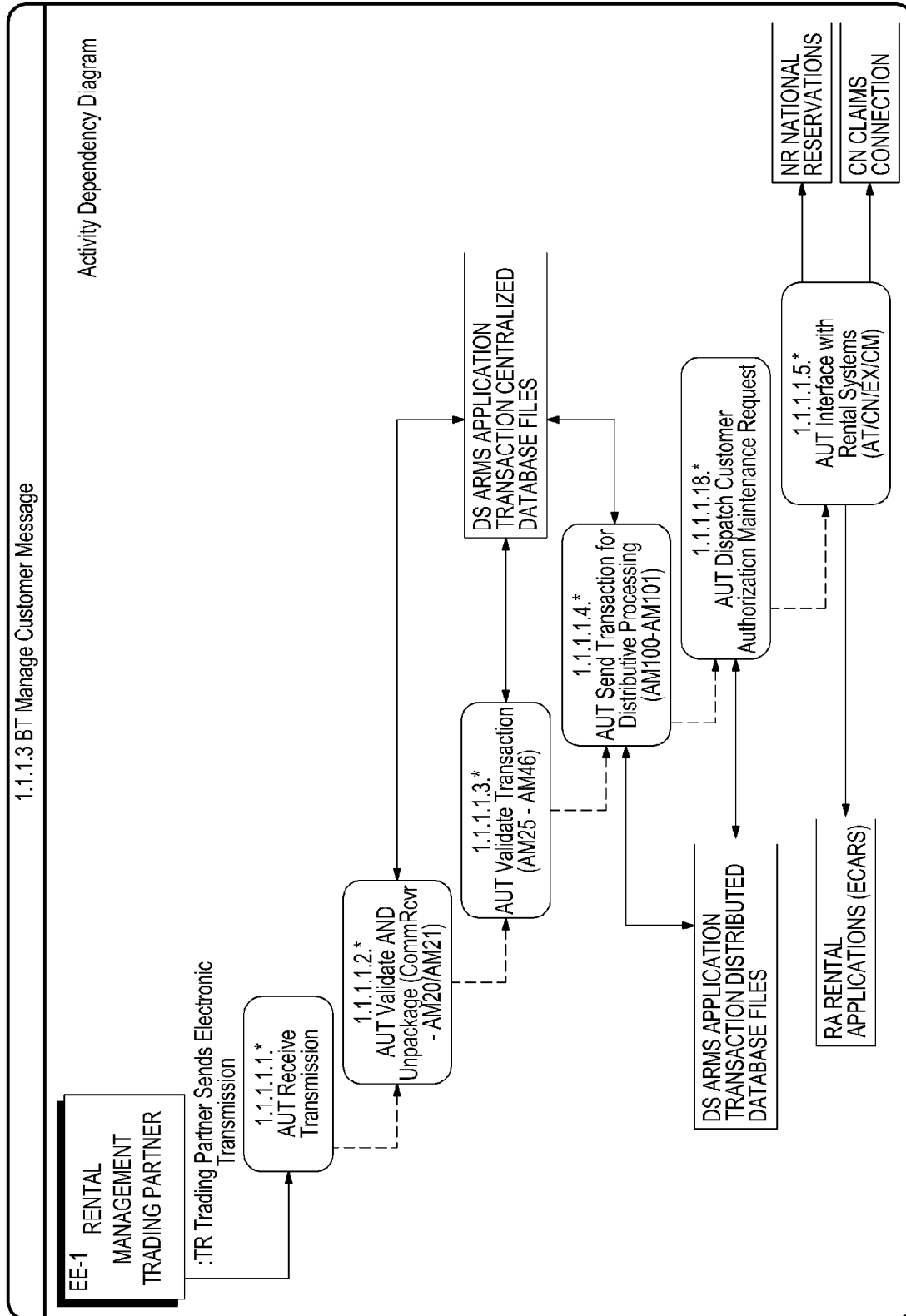


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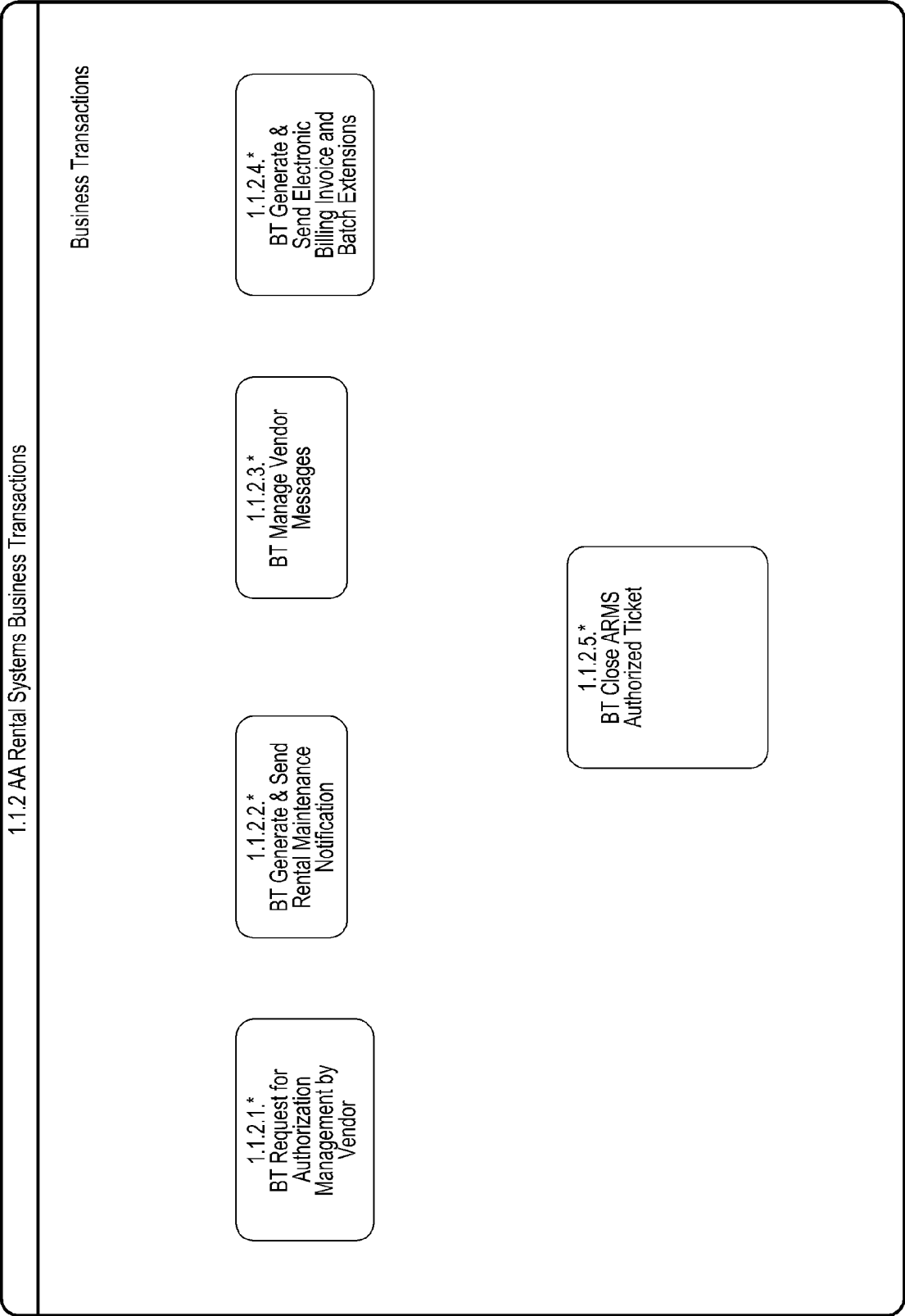


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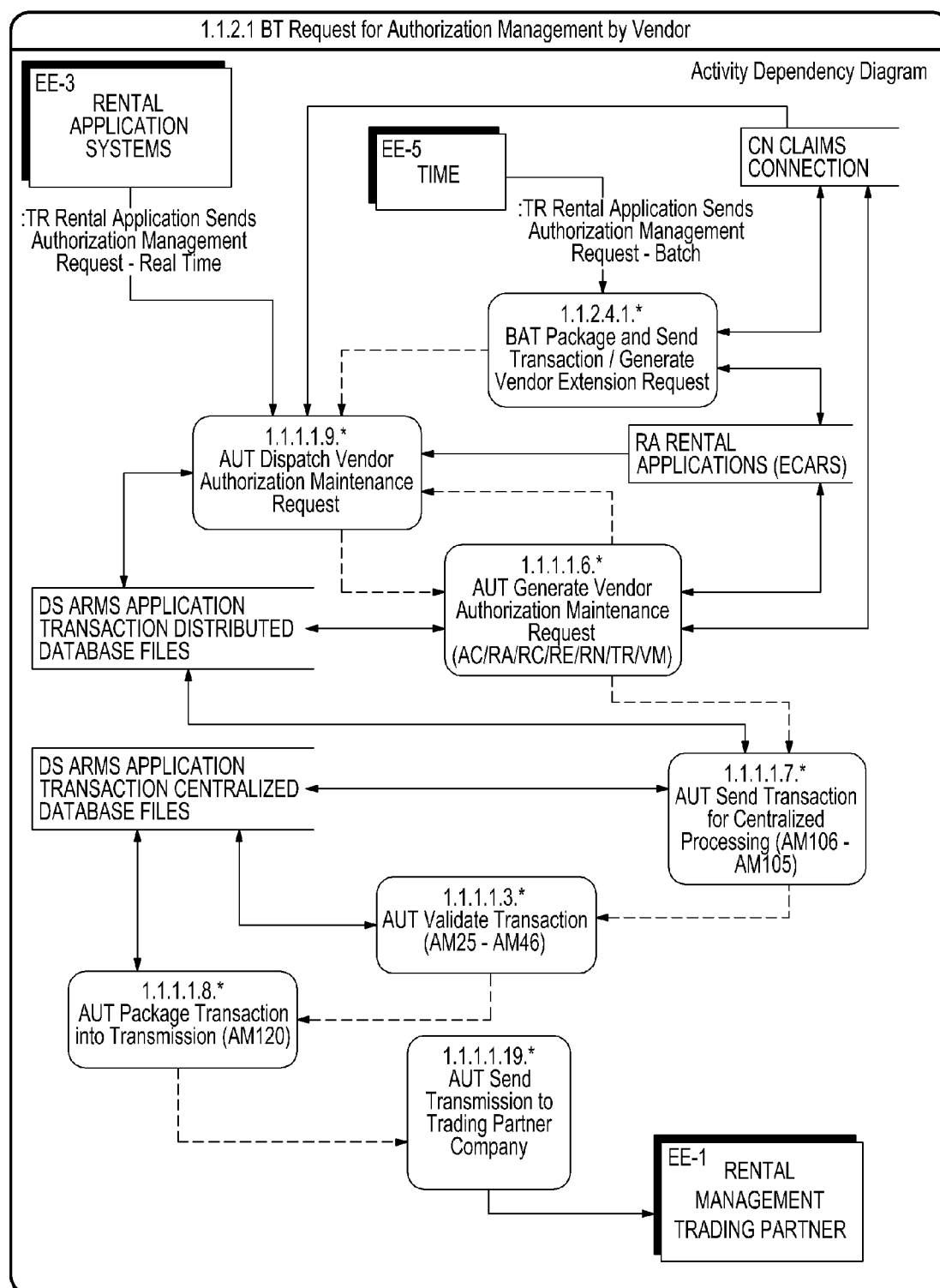


FIG. 27

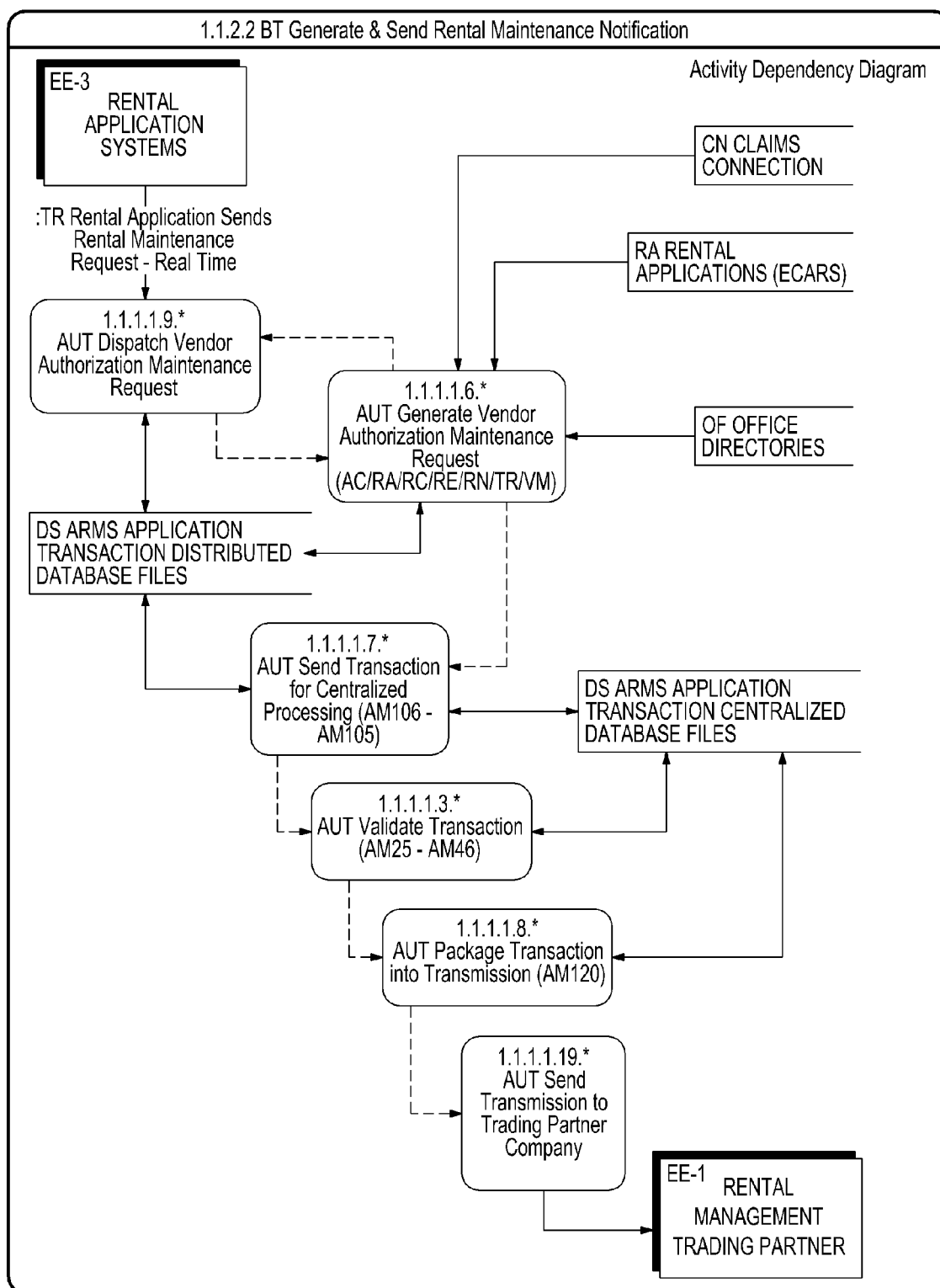


FIG. 28

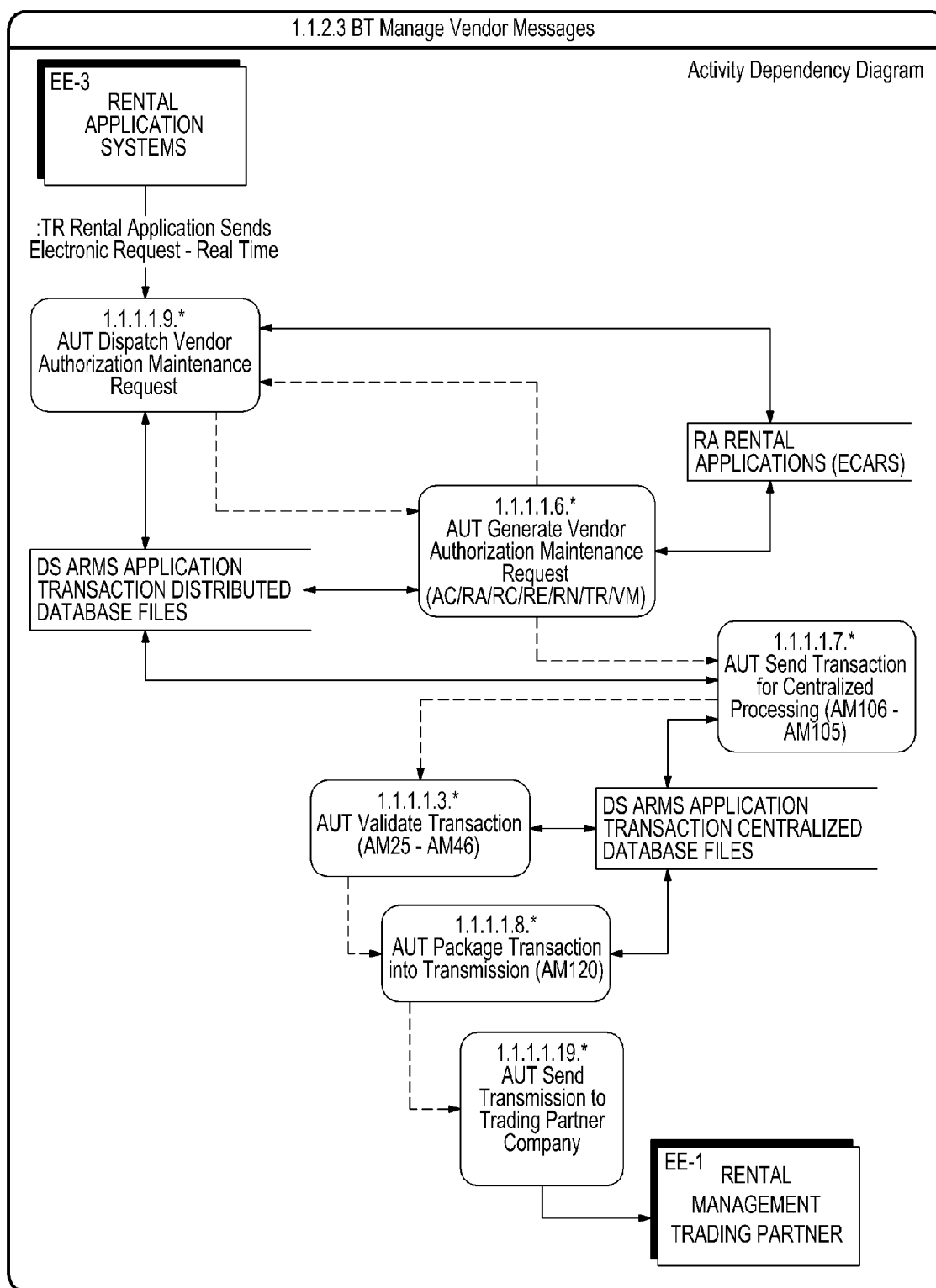


FIG. 29

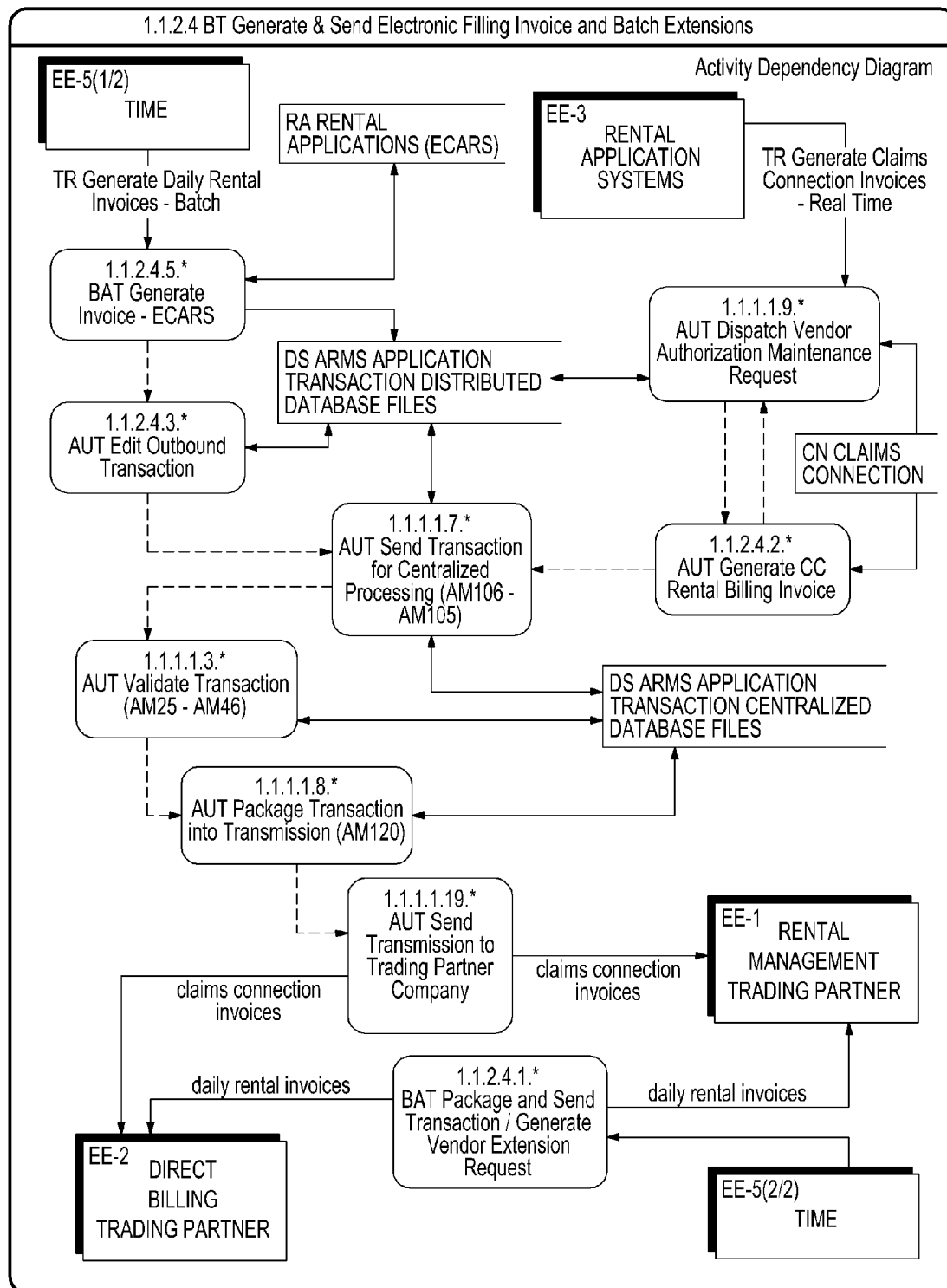


FIG. 30

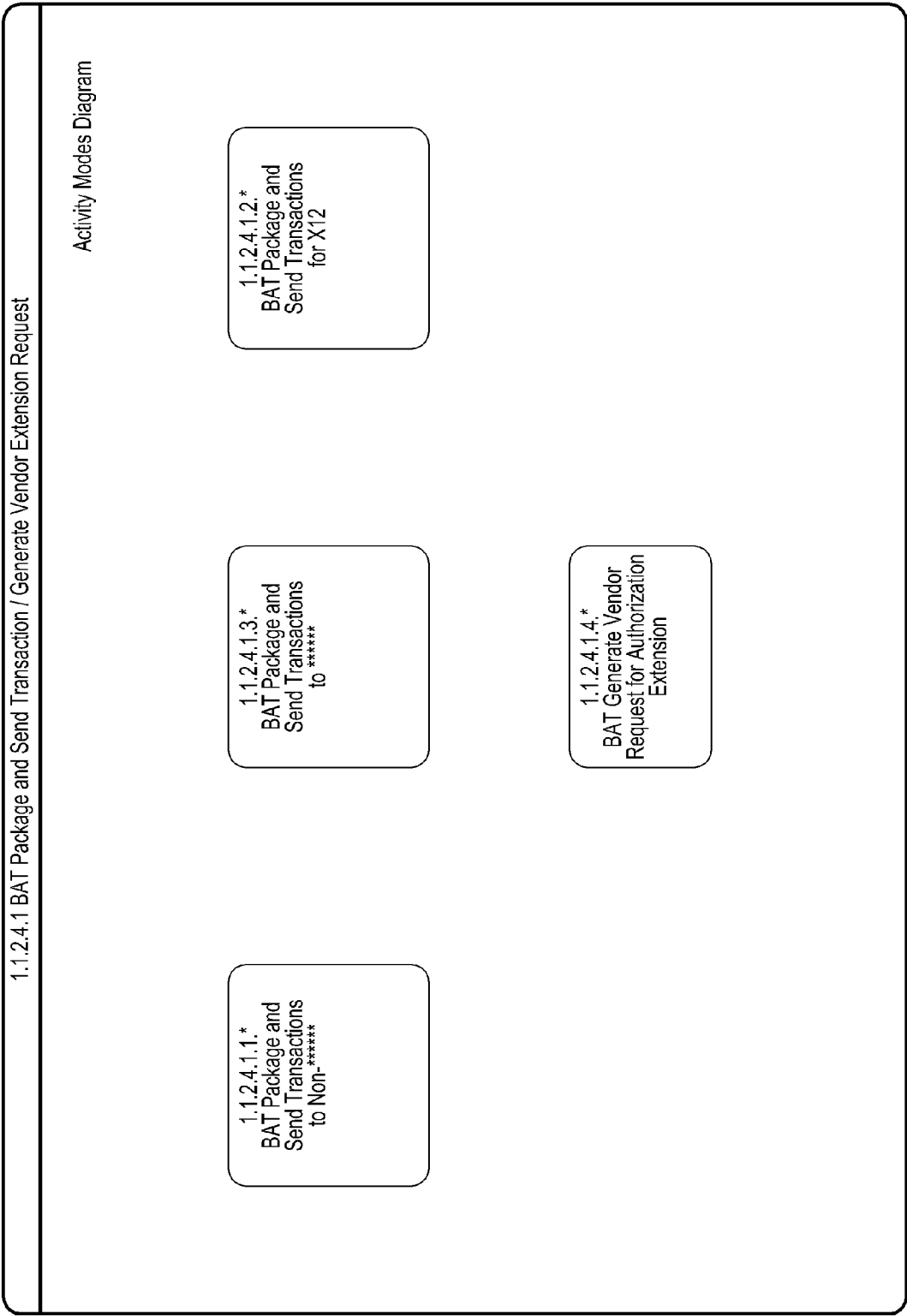


FIG. 31

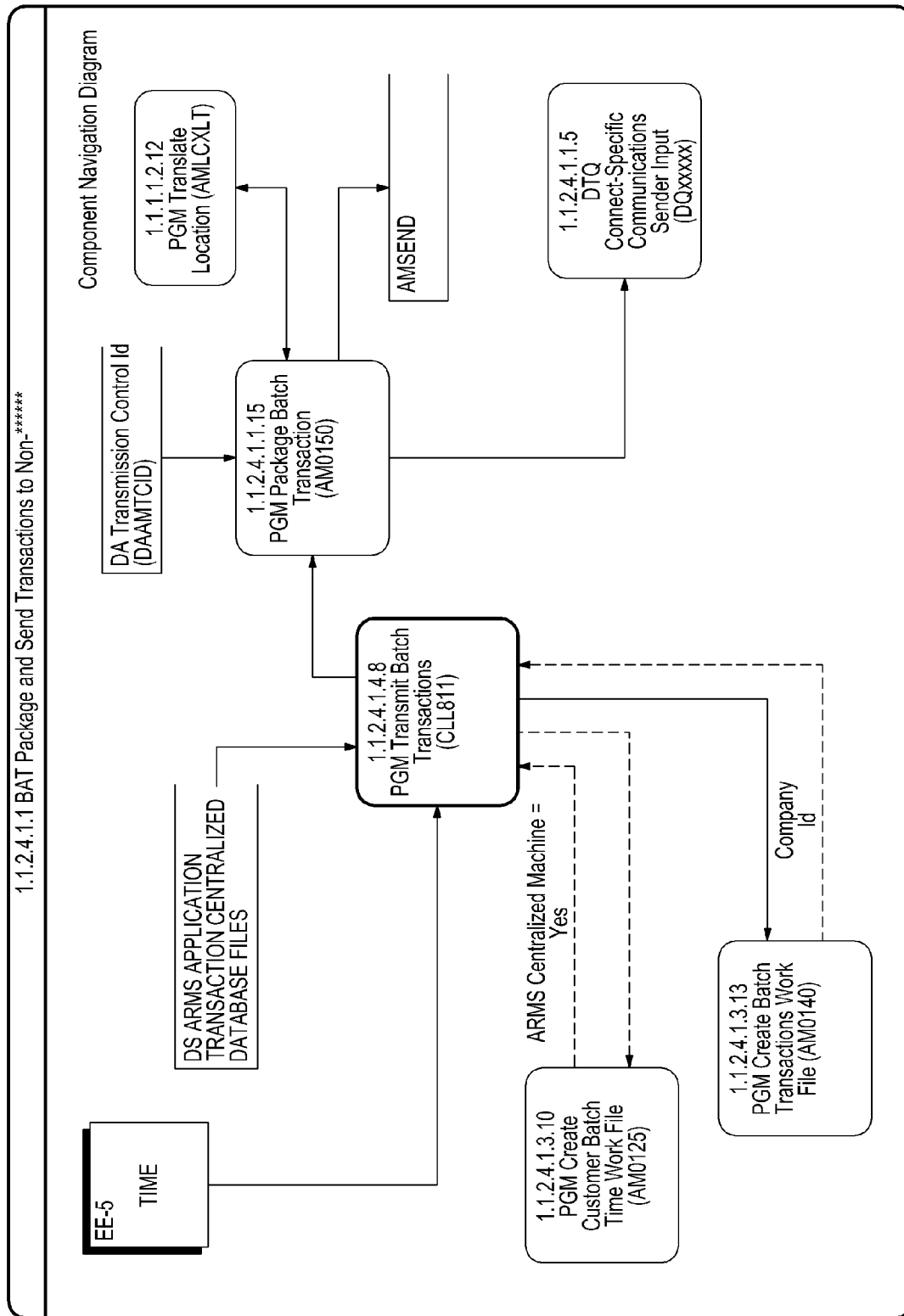


FIG. 32

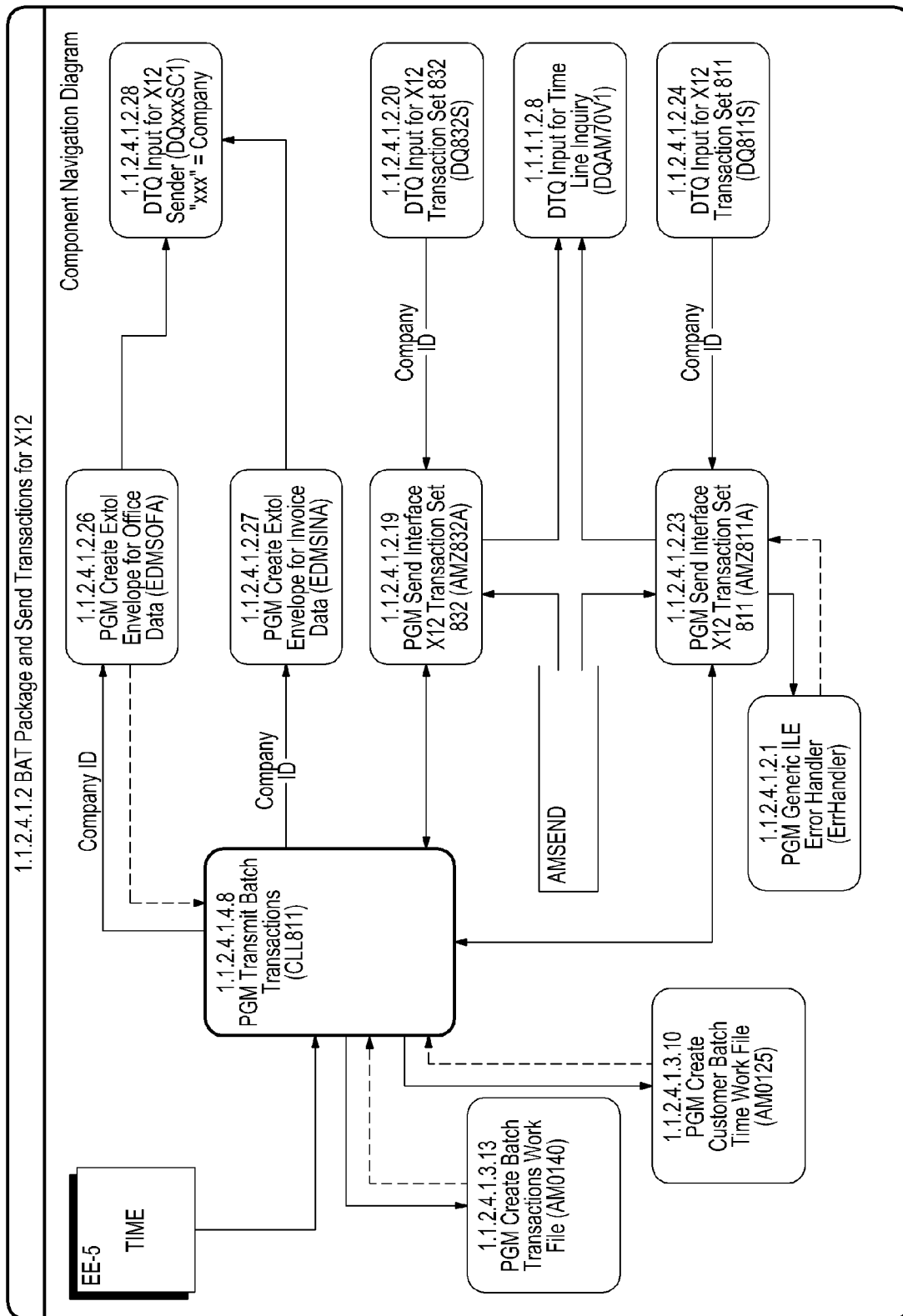


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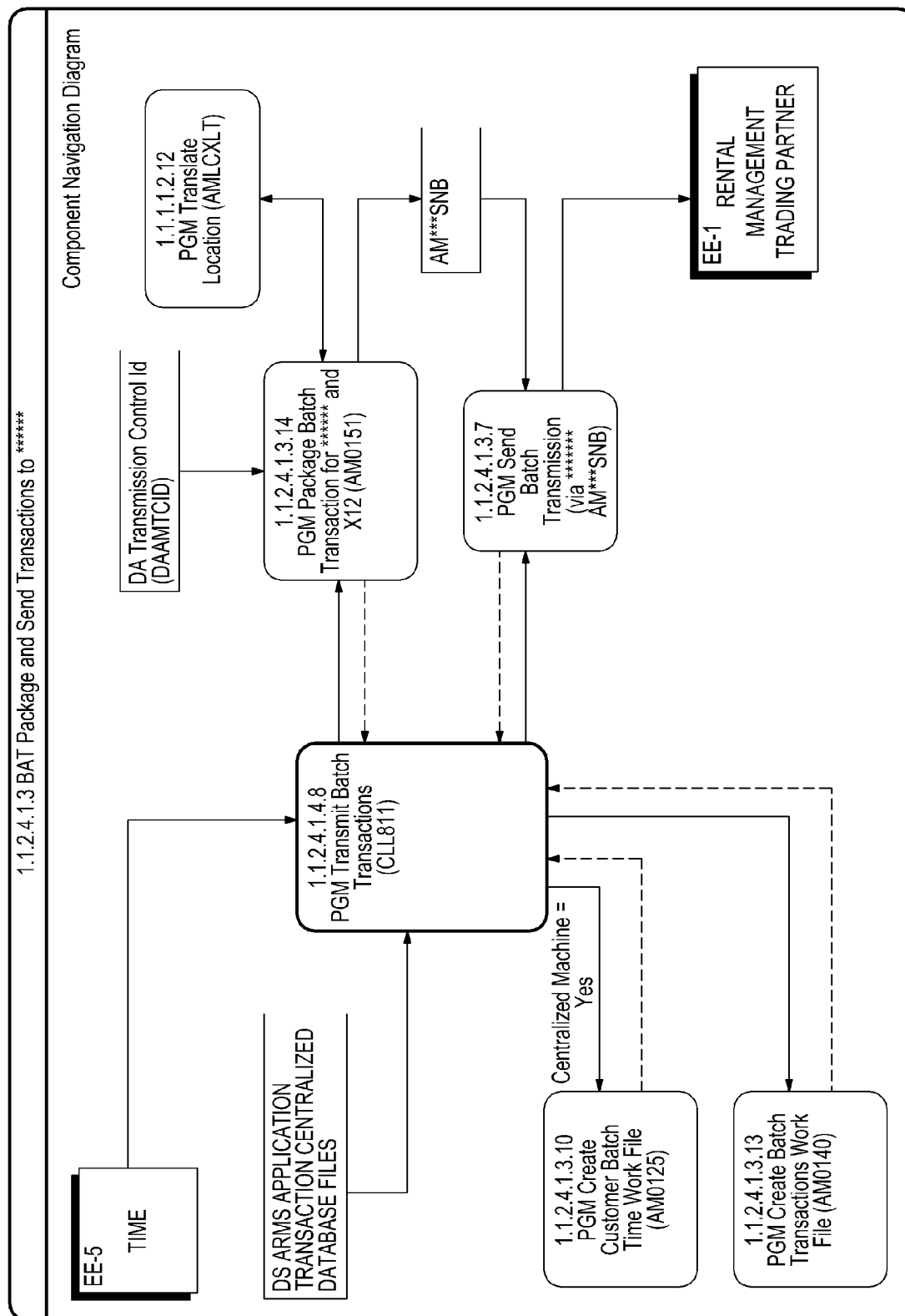


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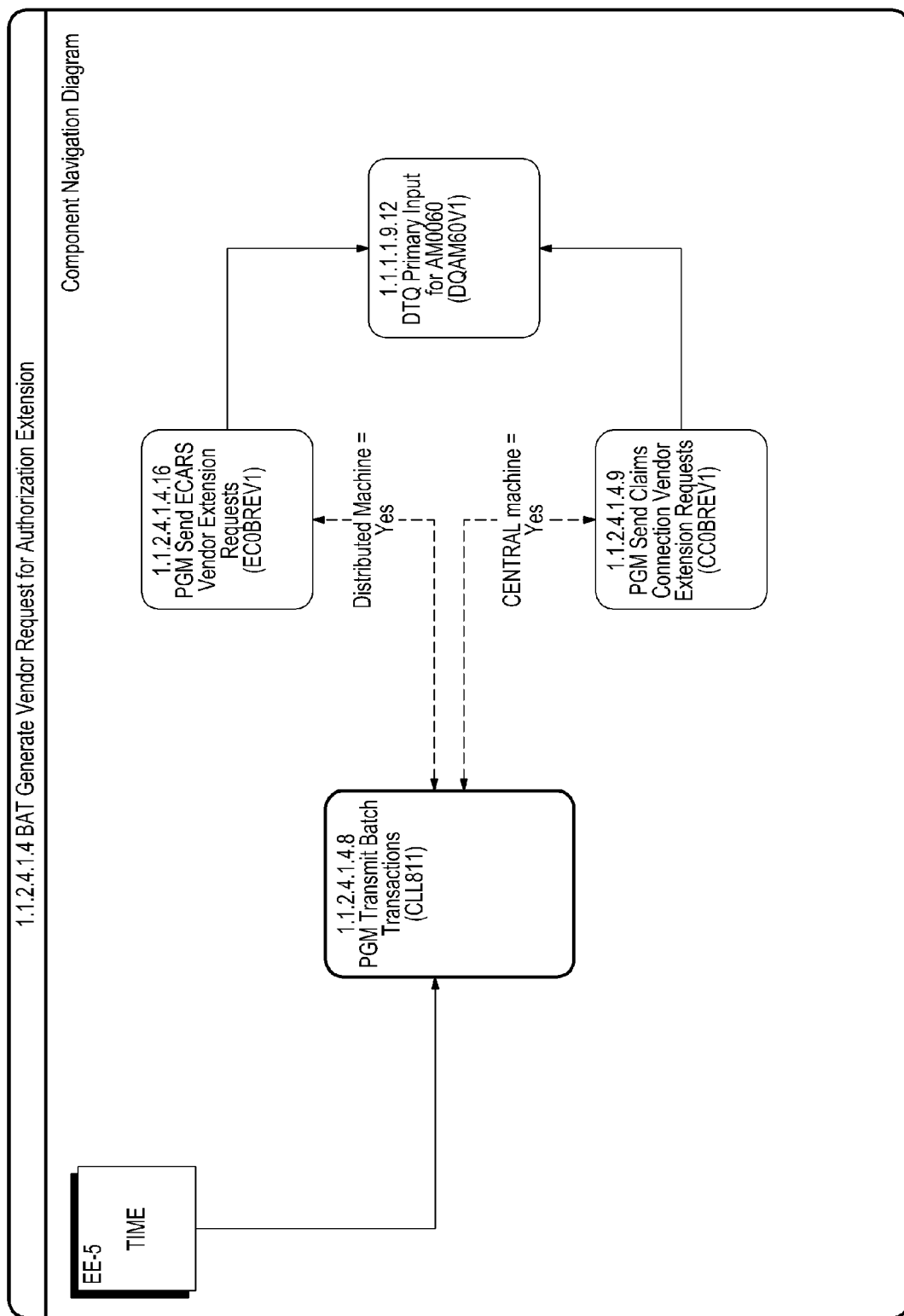


FIG. 35

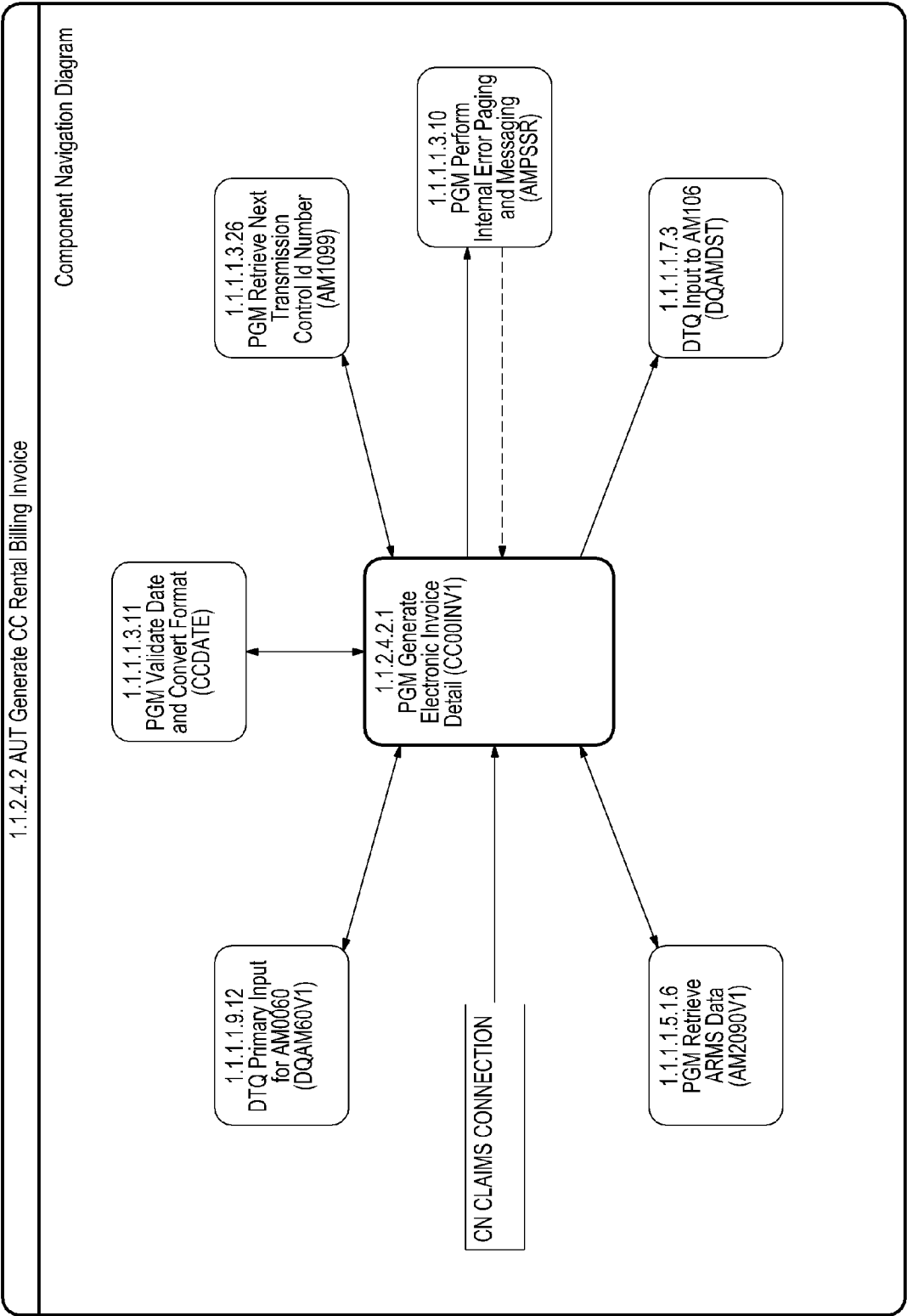


FIG. 36

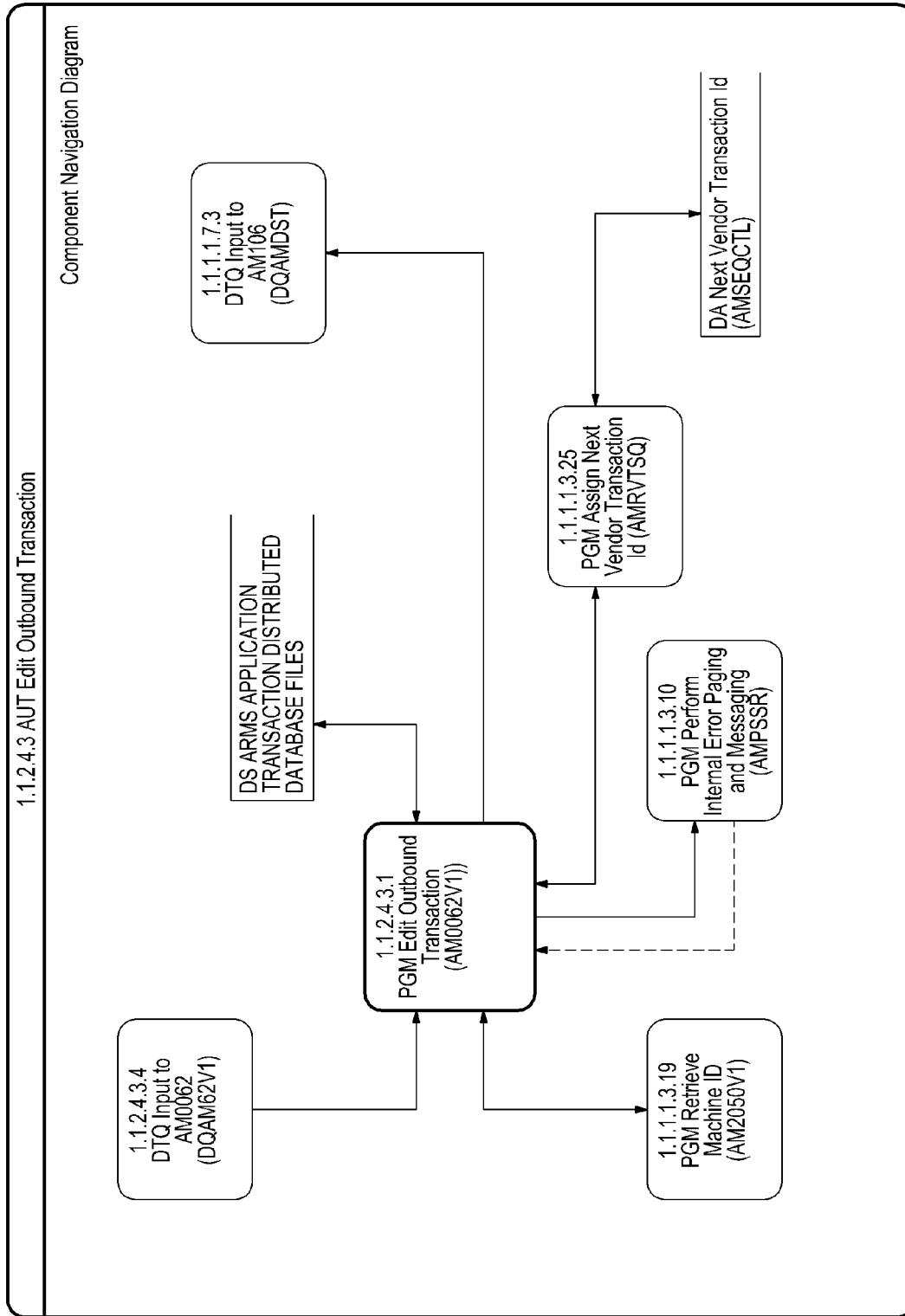


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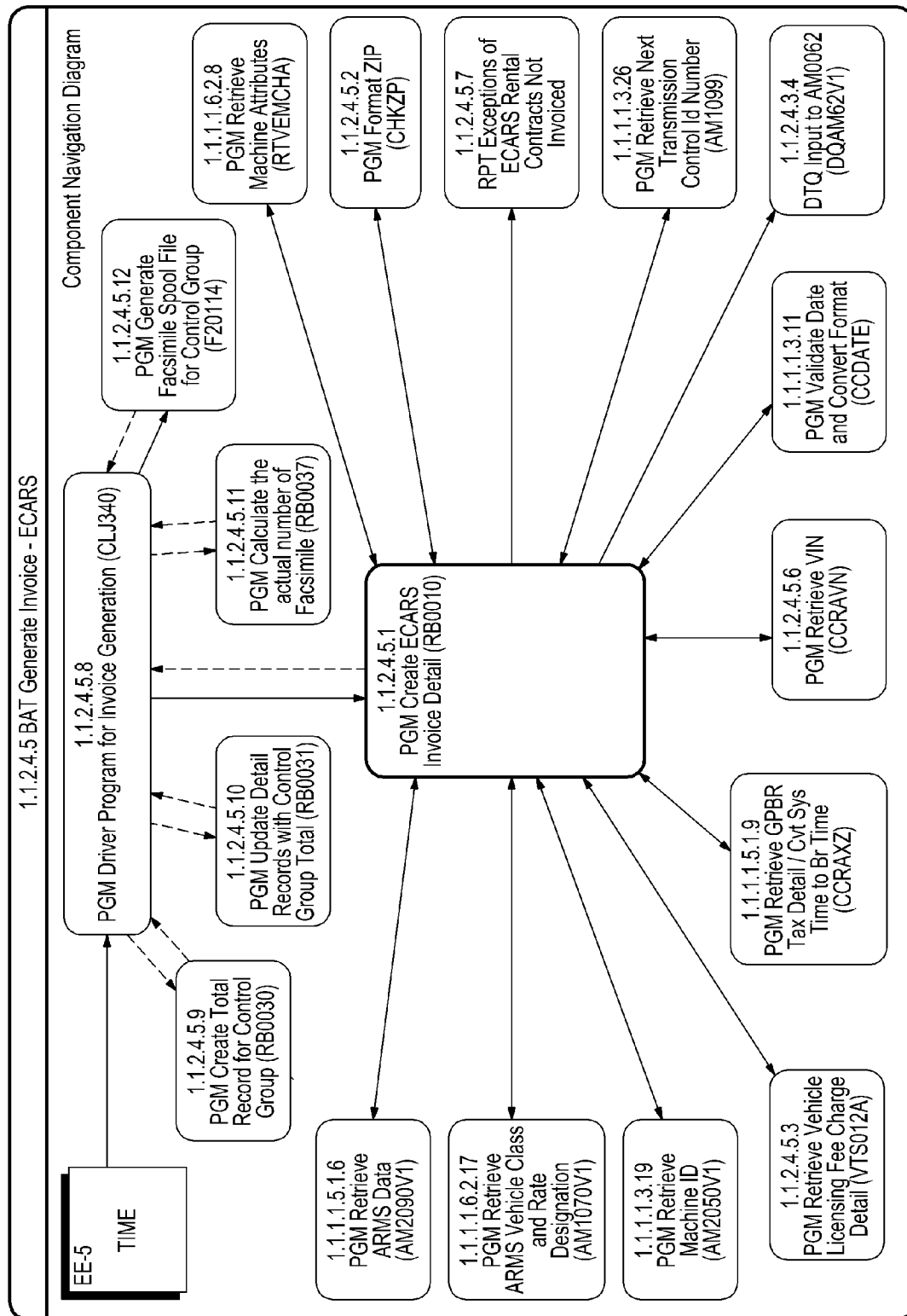


FIG. 38

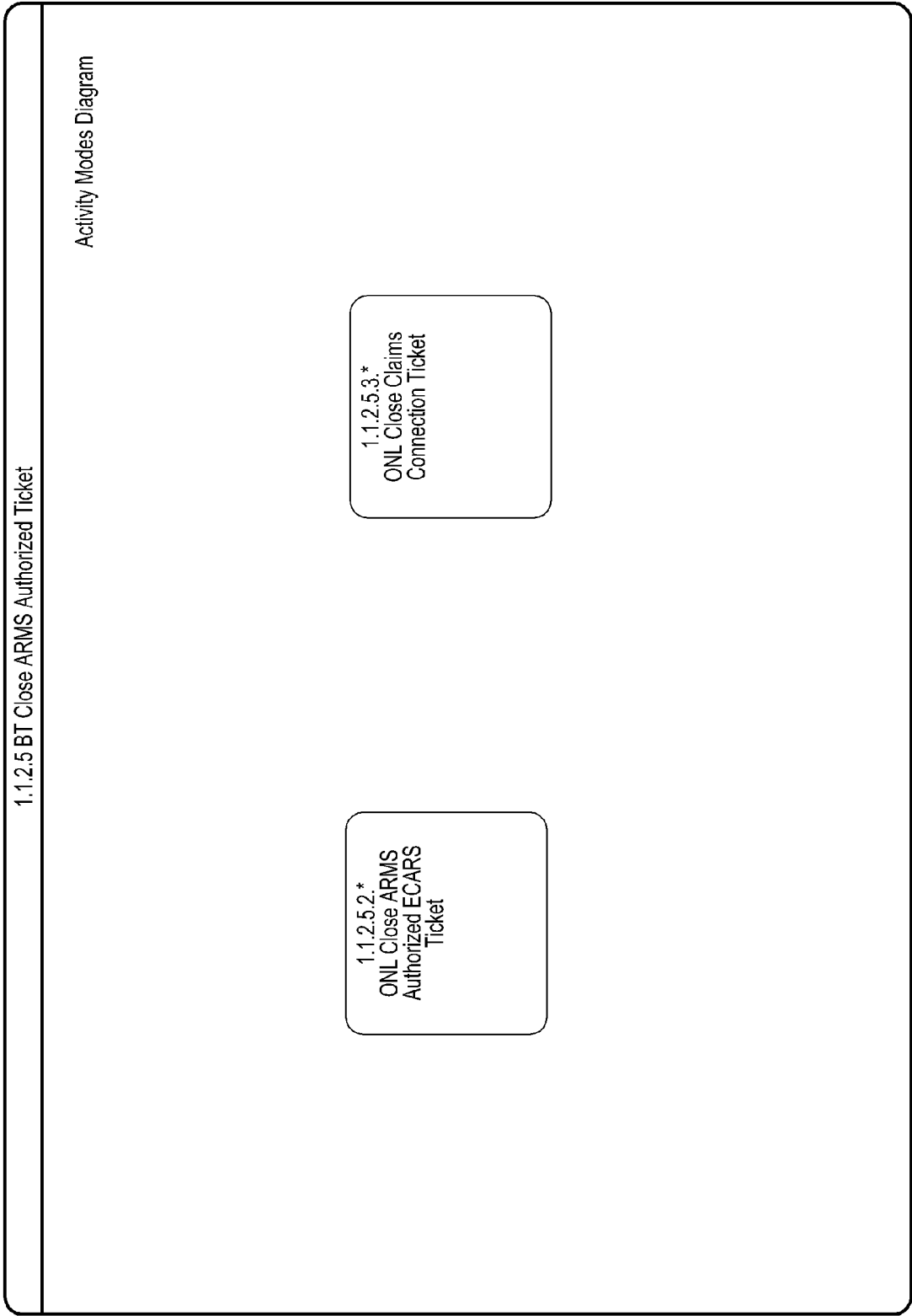


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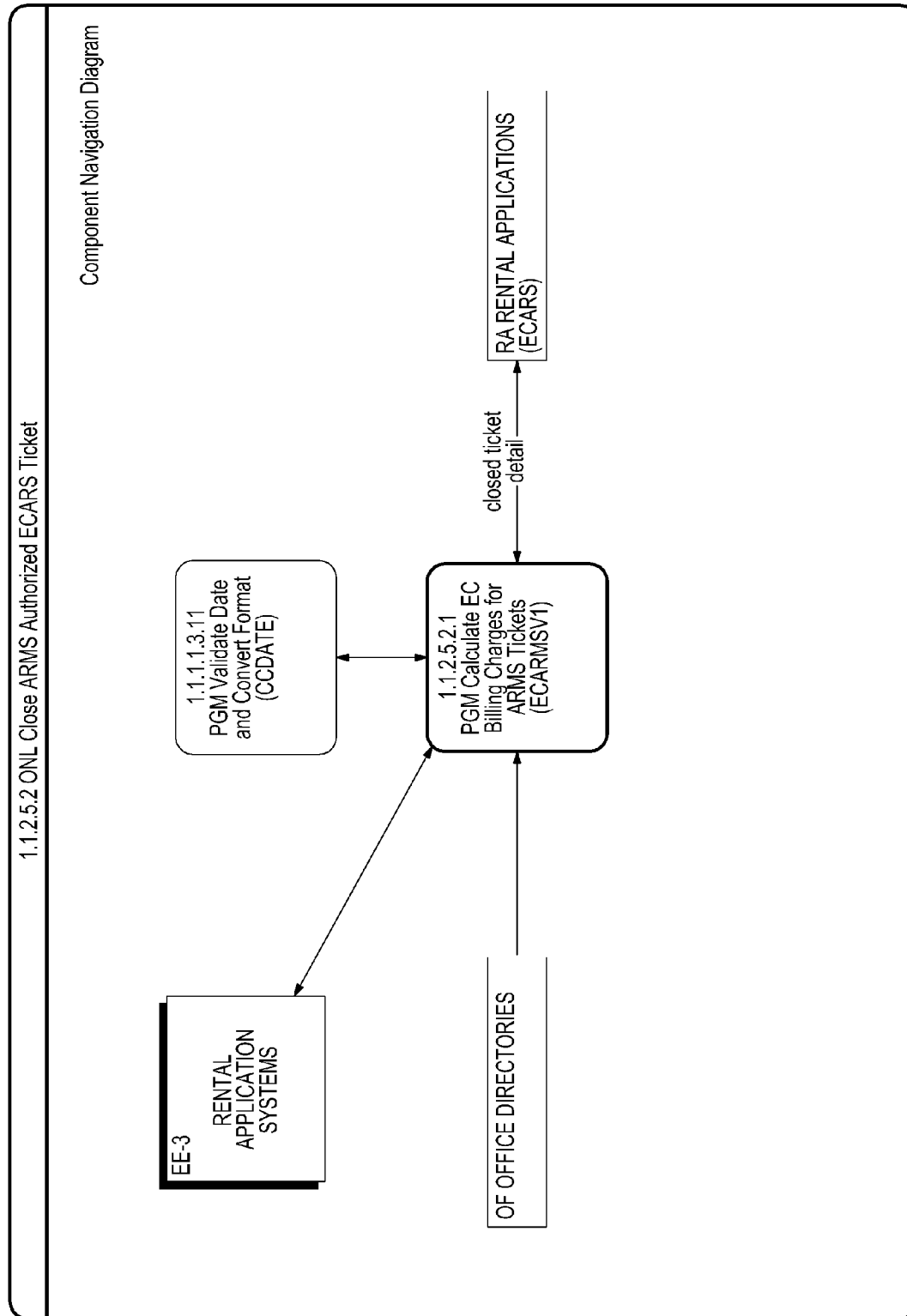


FIG. 40

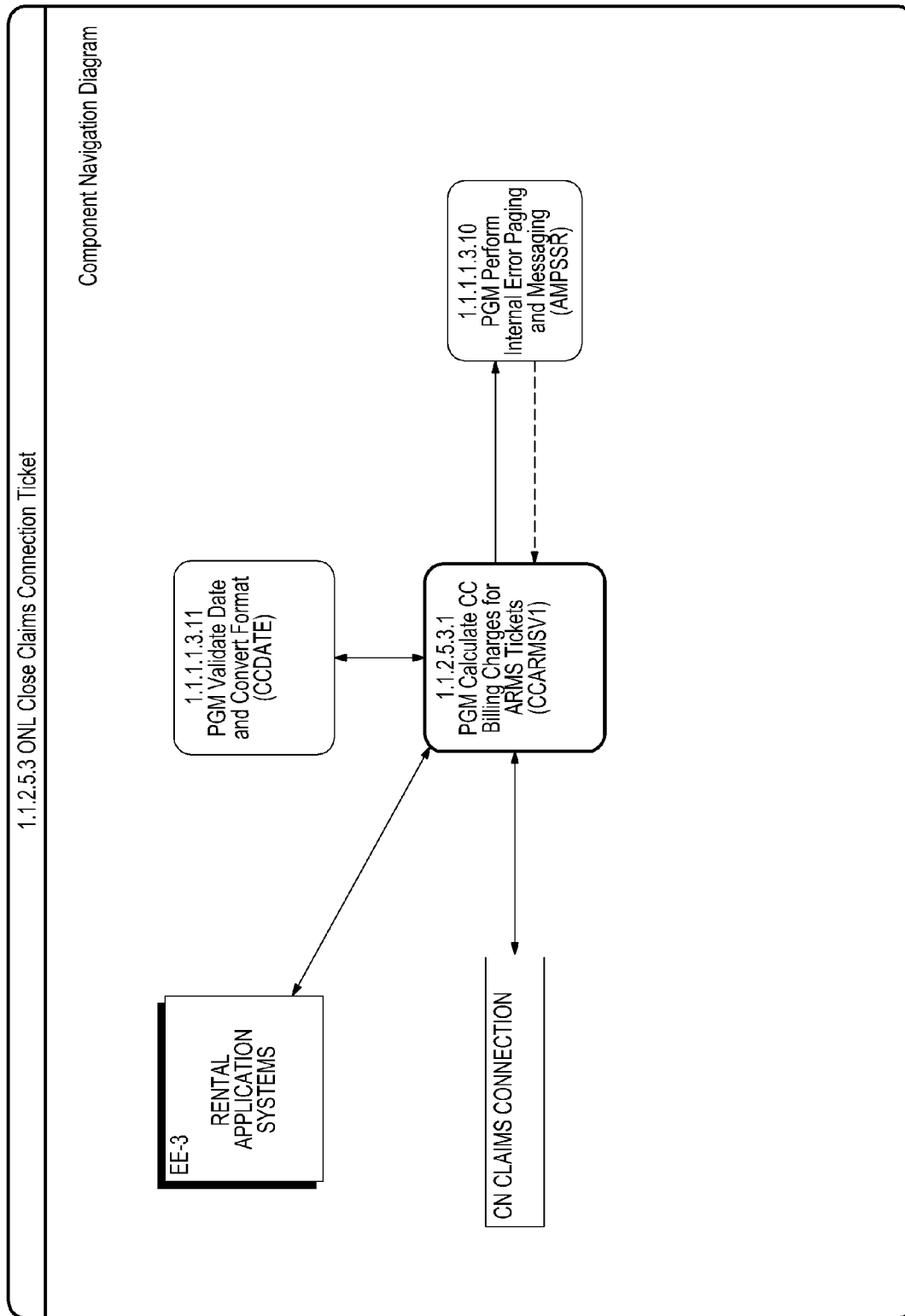


FIG. 41

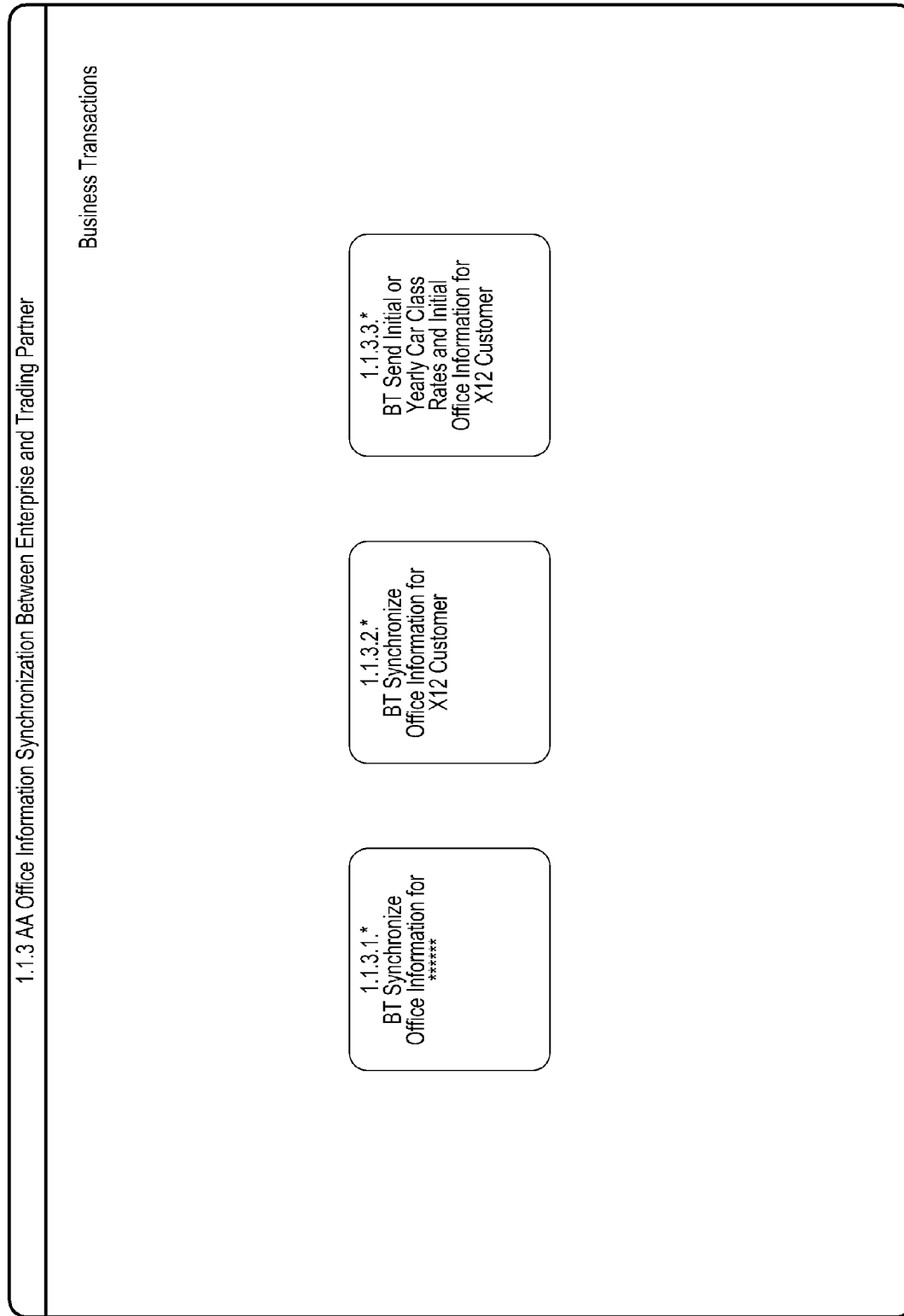


FIG. 42

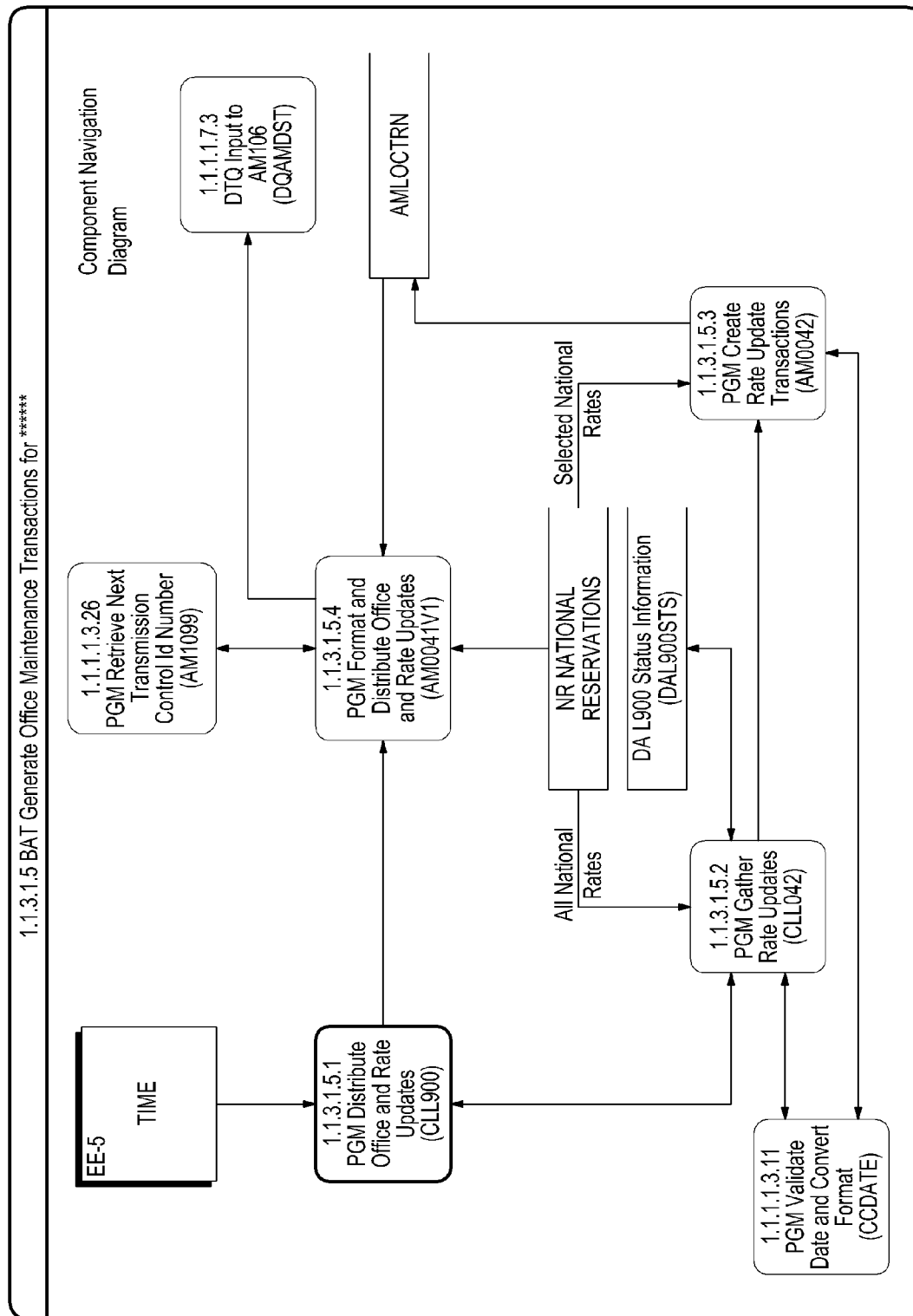


FIG. 43

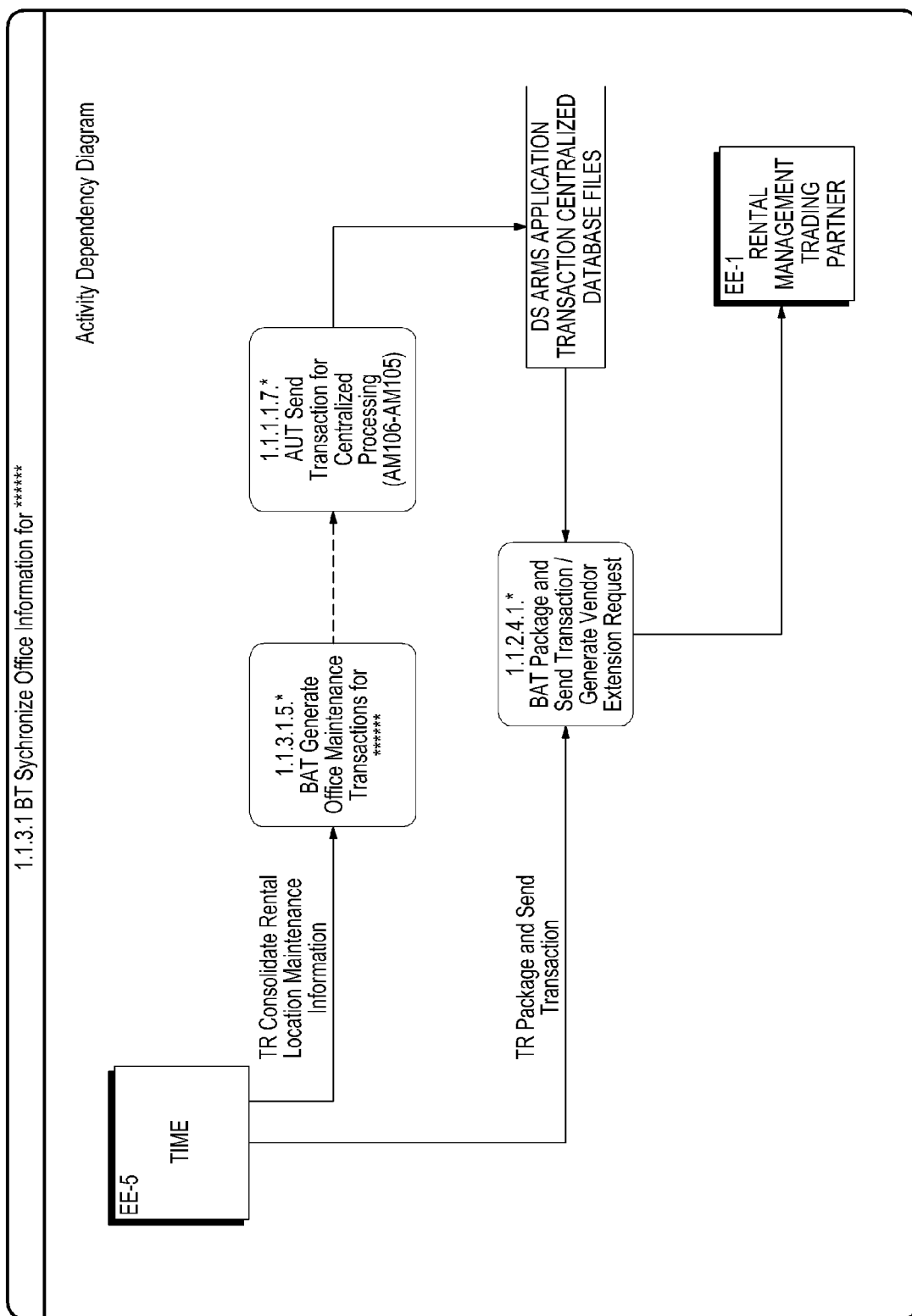


FIG. 44

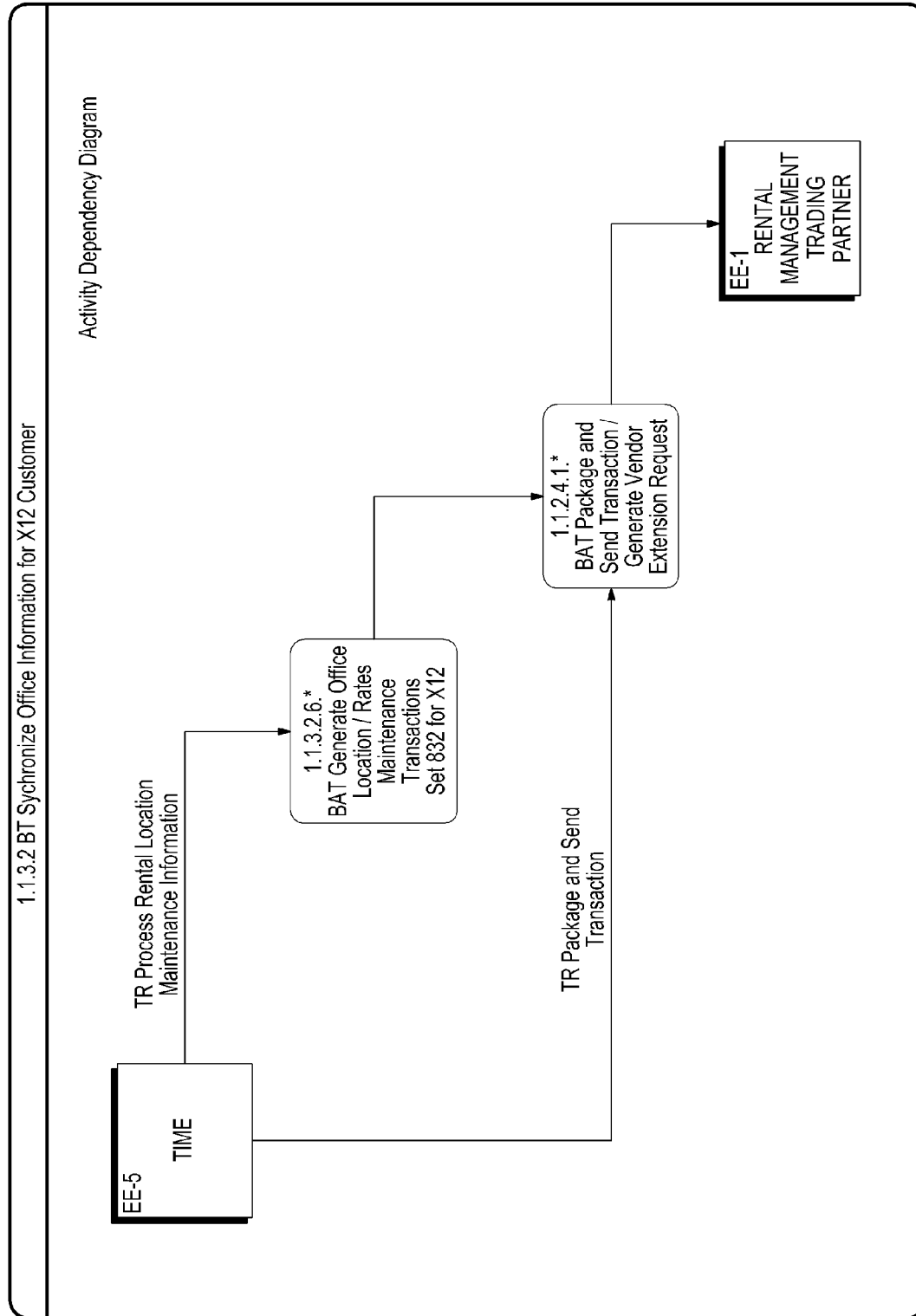


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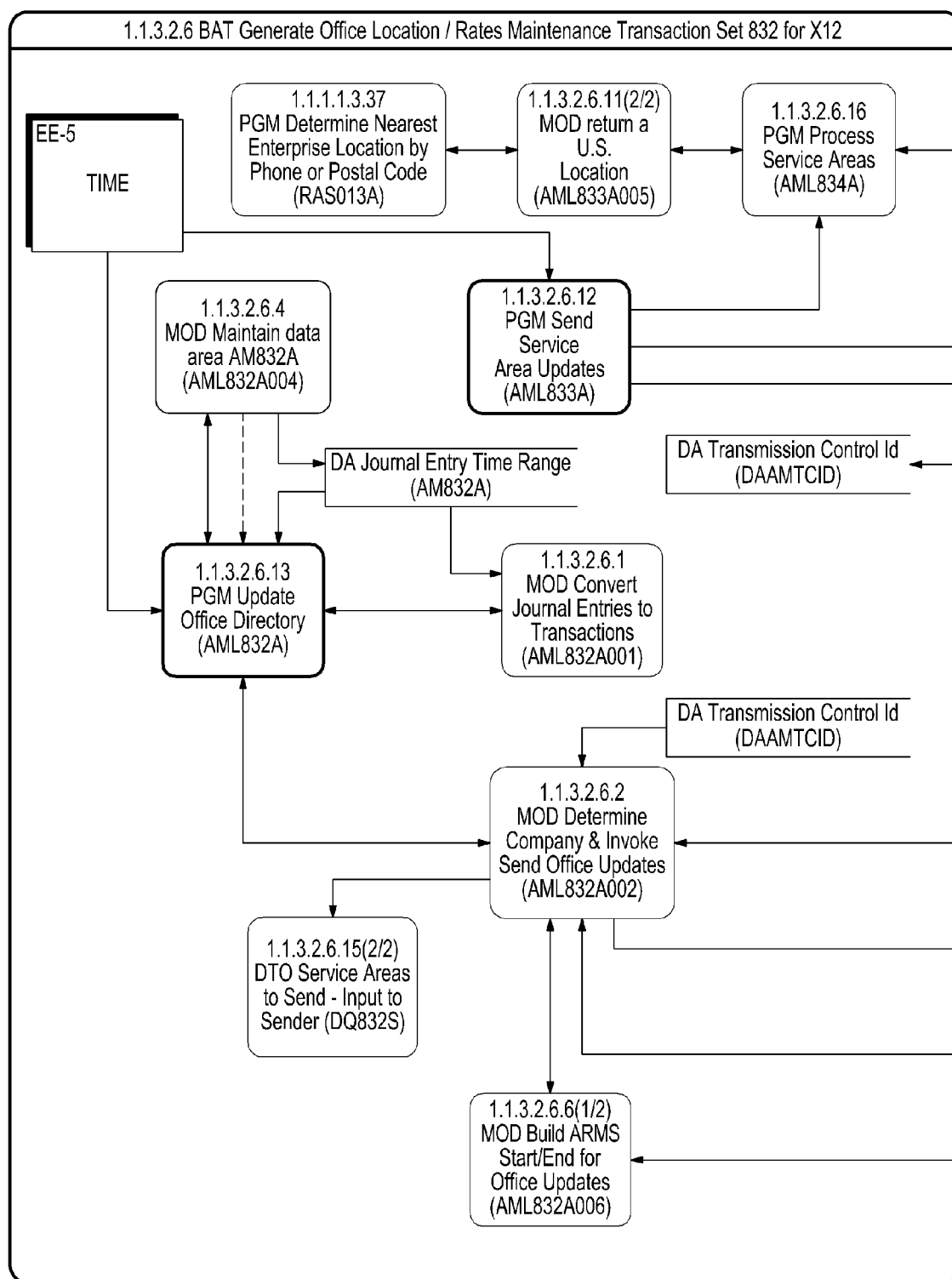


FIG. 46(a)

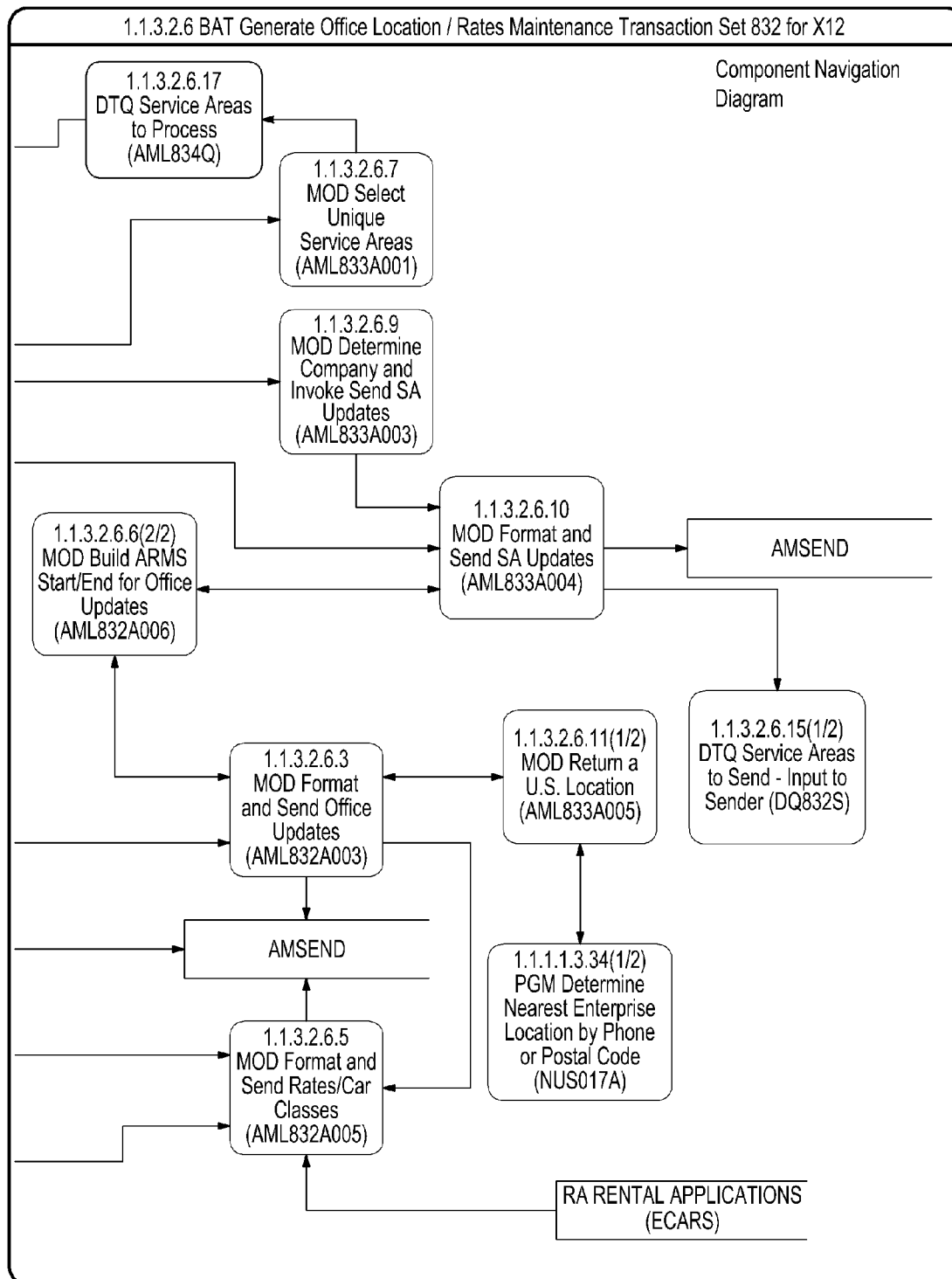


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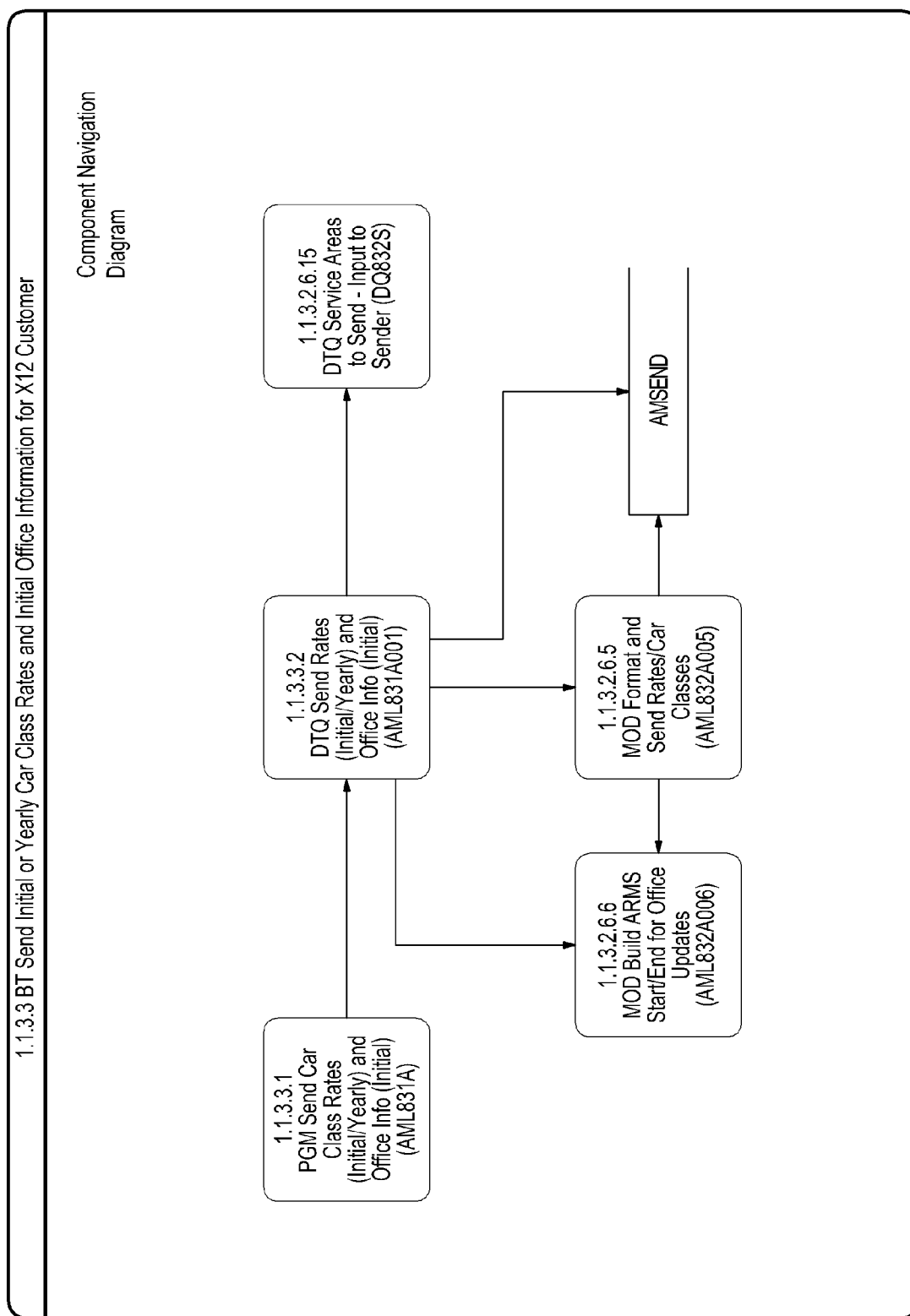


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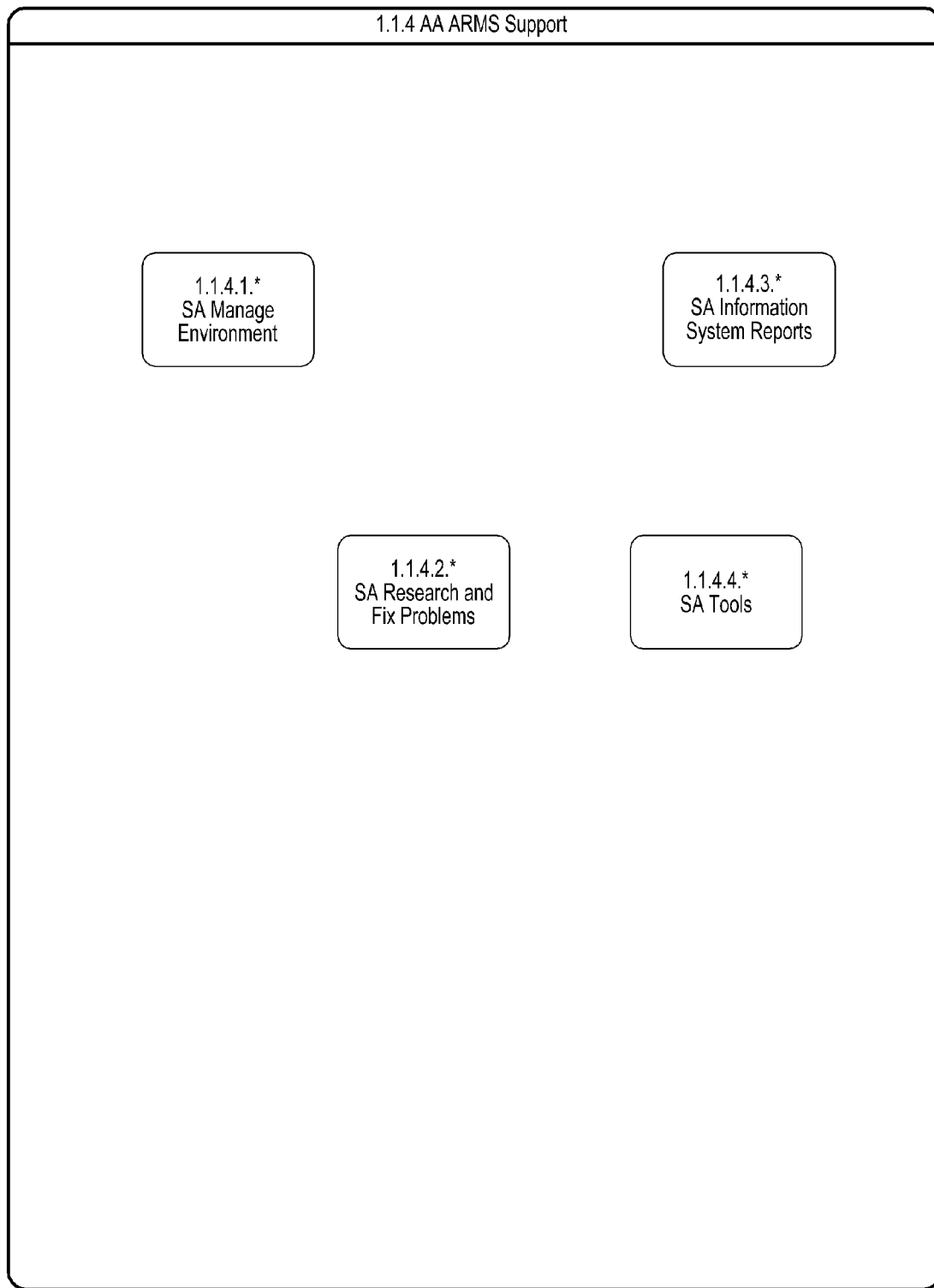


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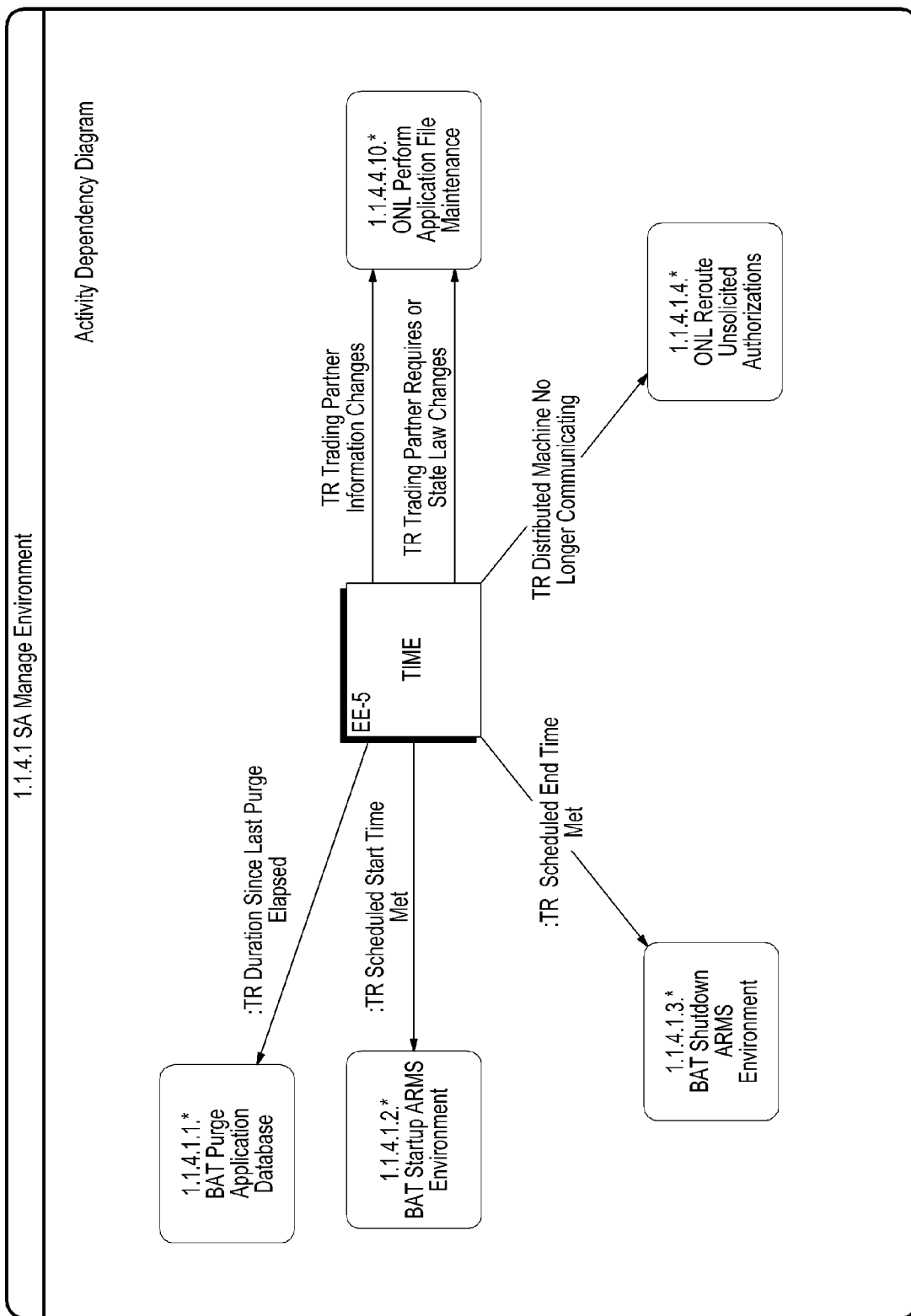


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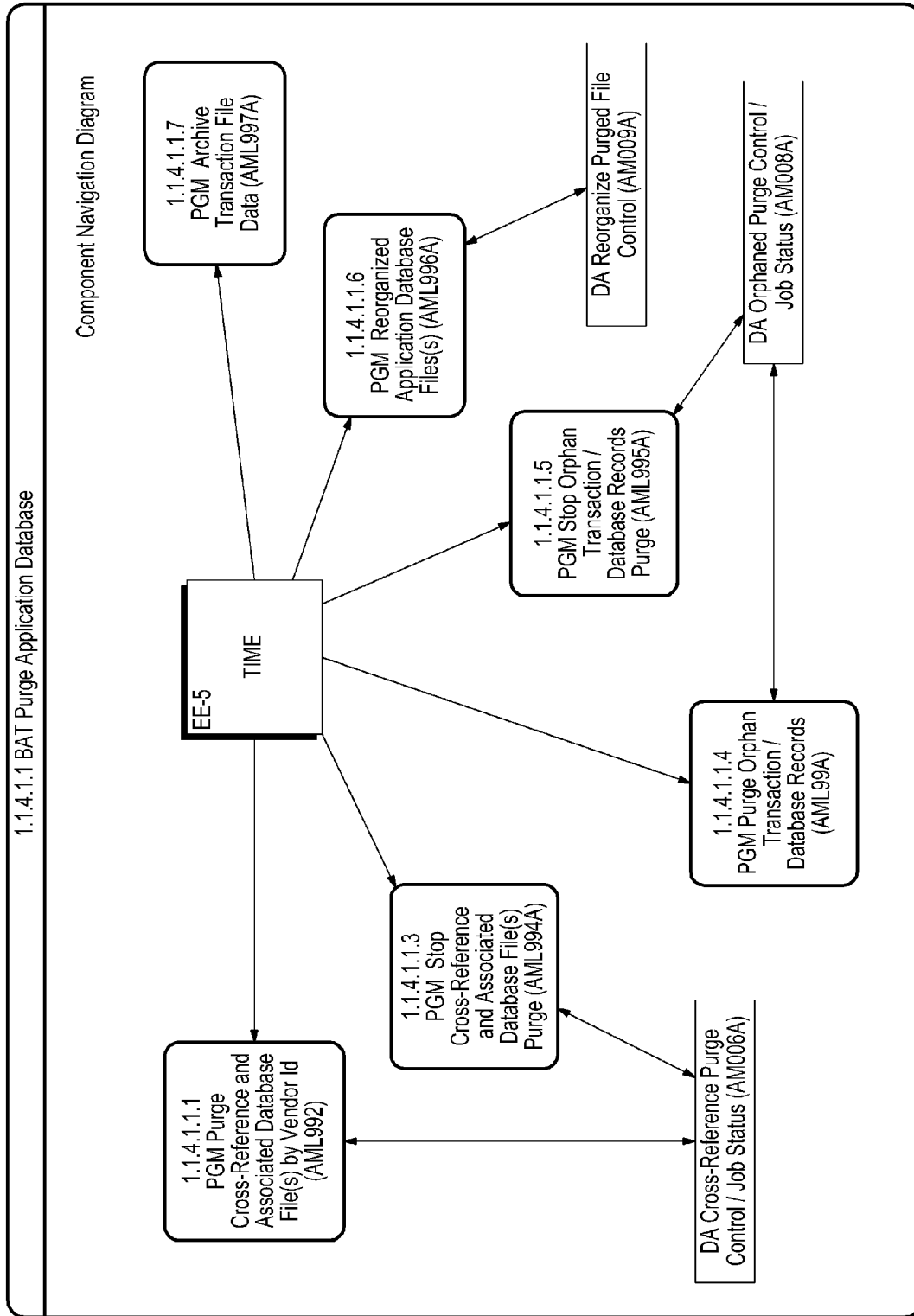


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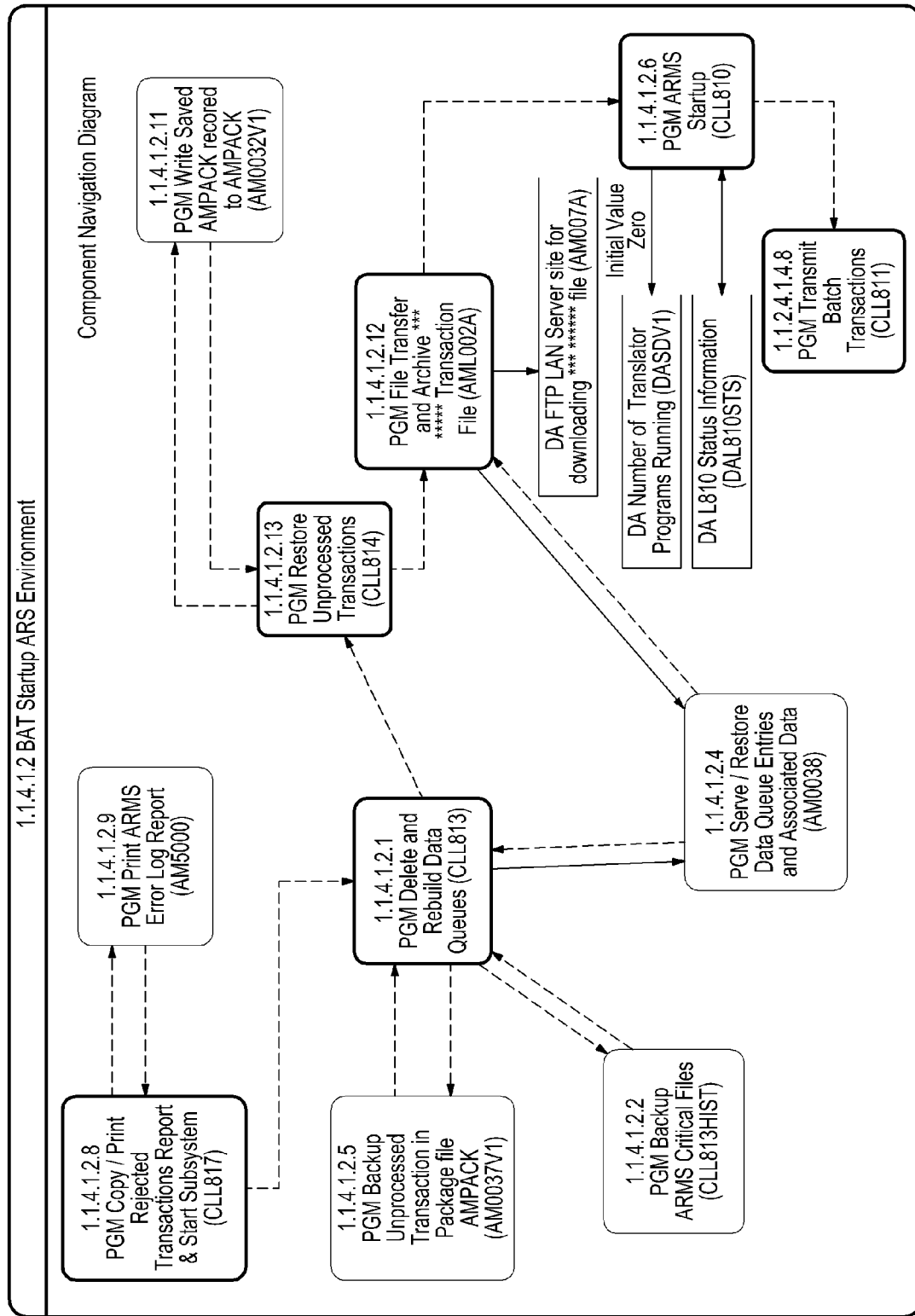


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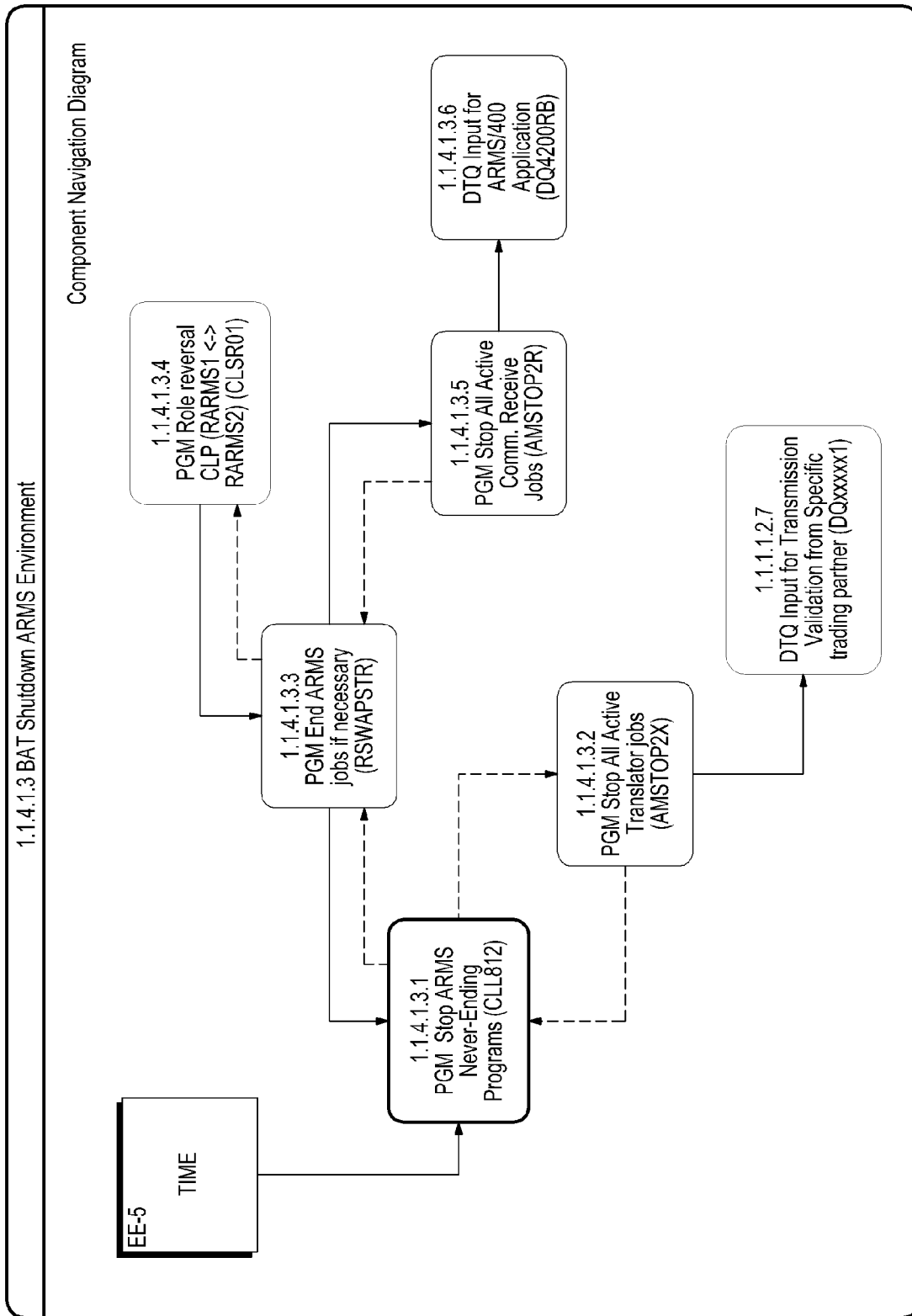


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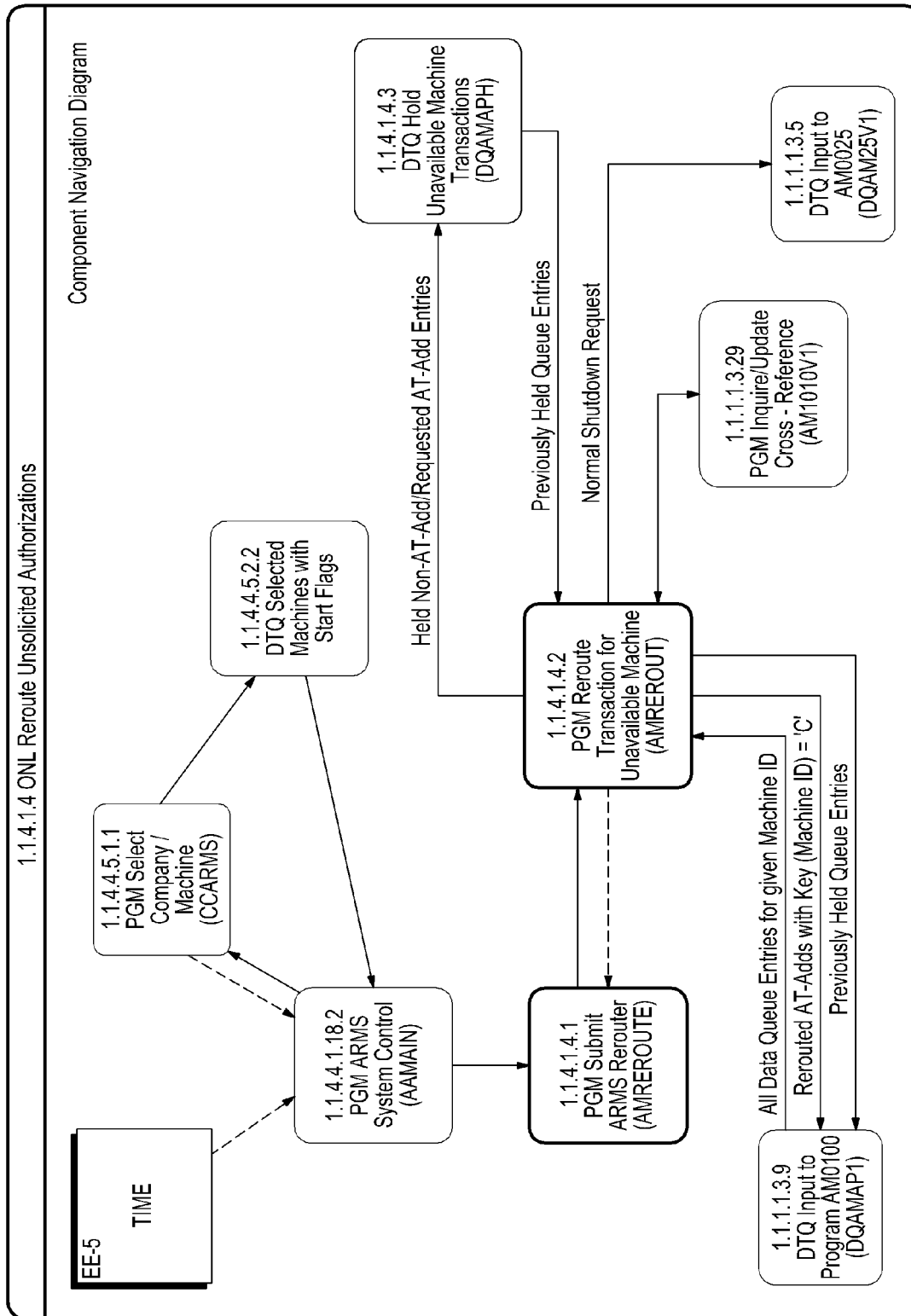


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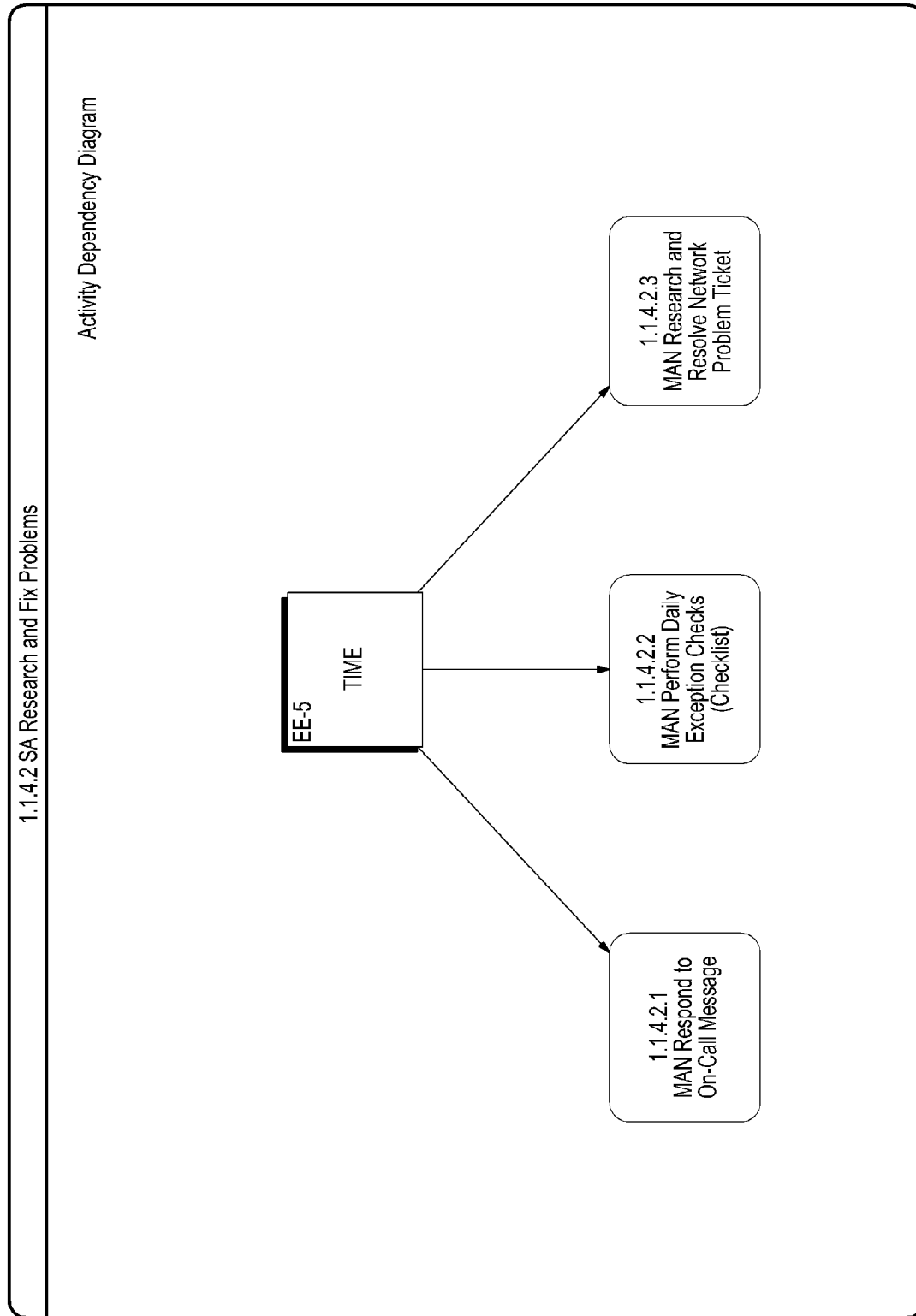


FIG. 54

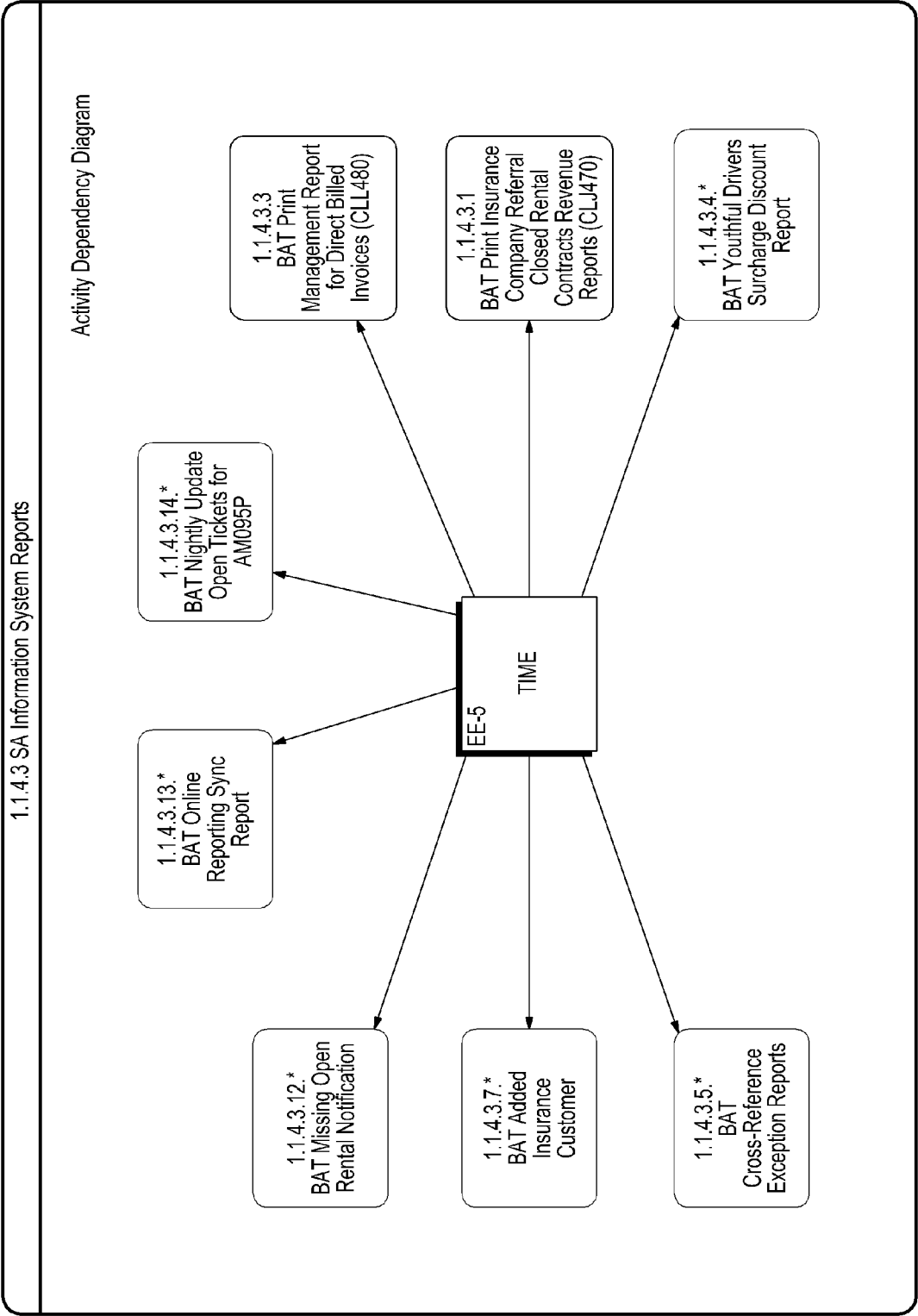


FIG. 55

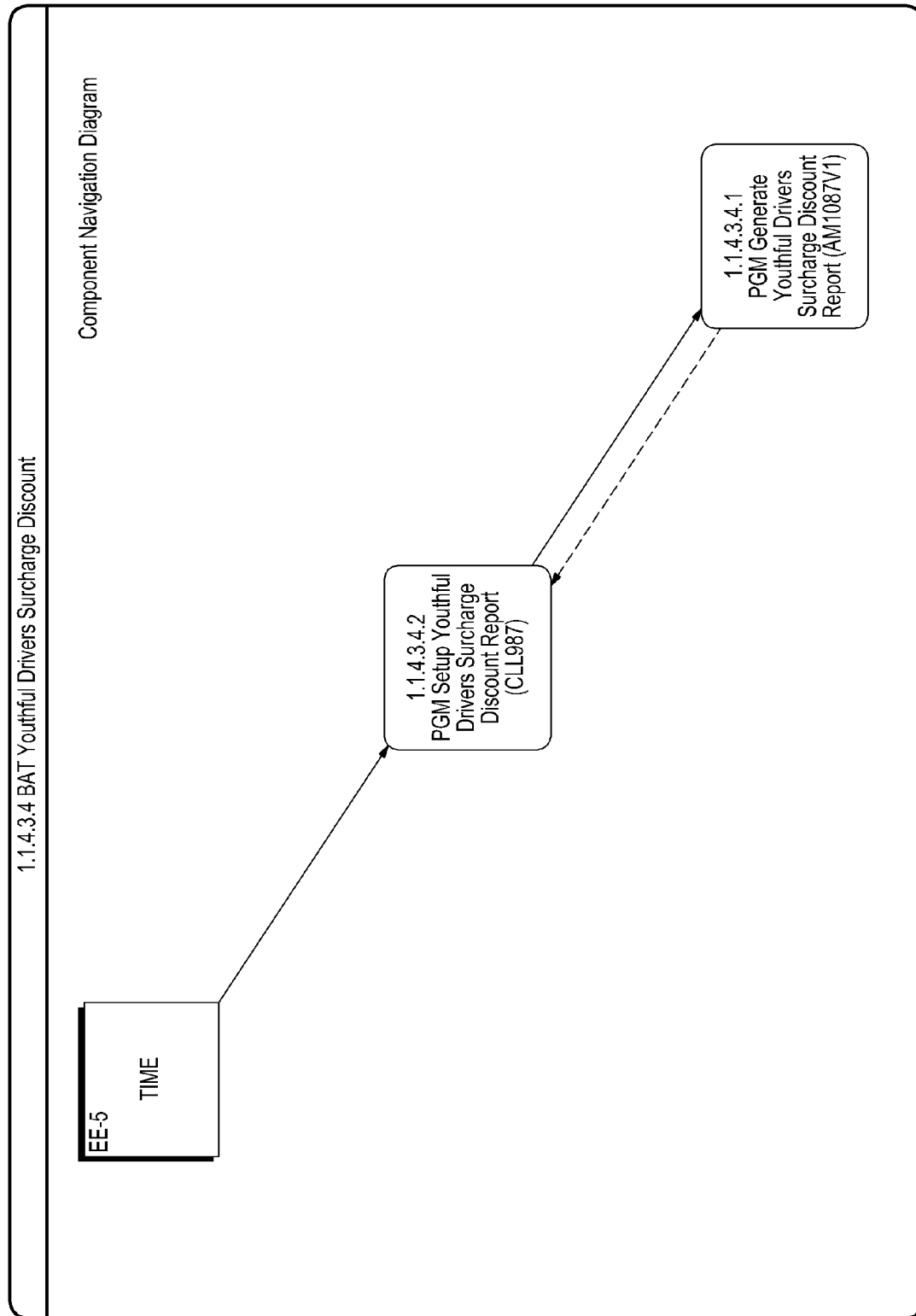


FIG. 56

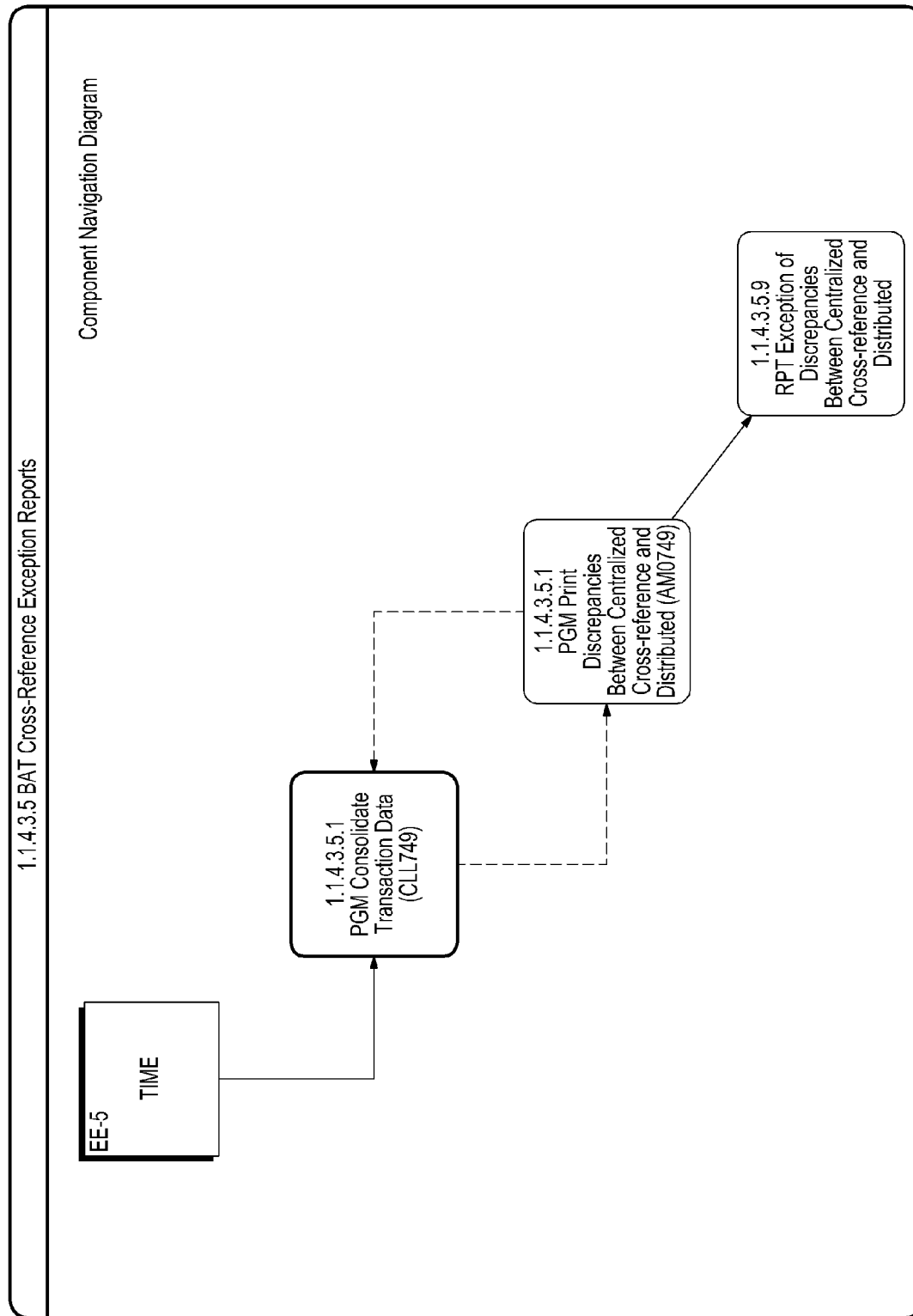


FIG. 57

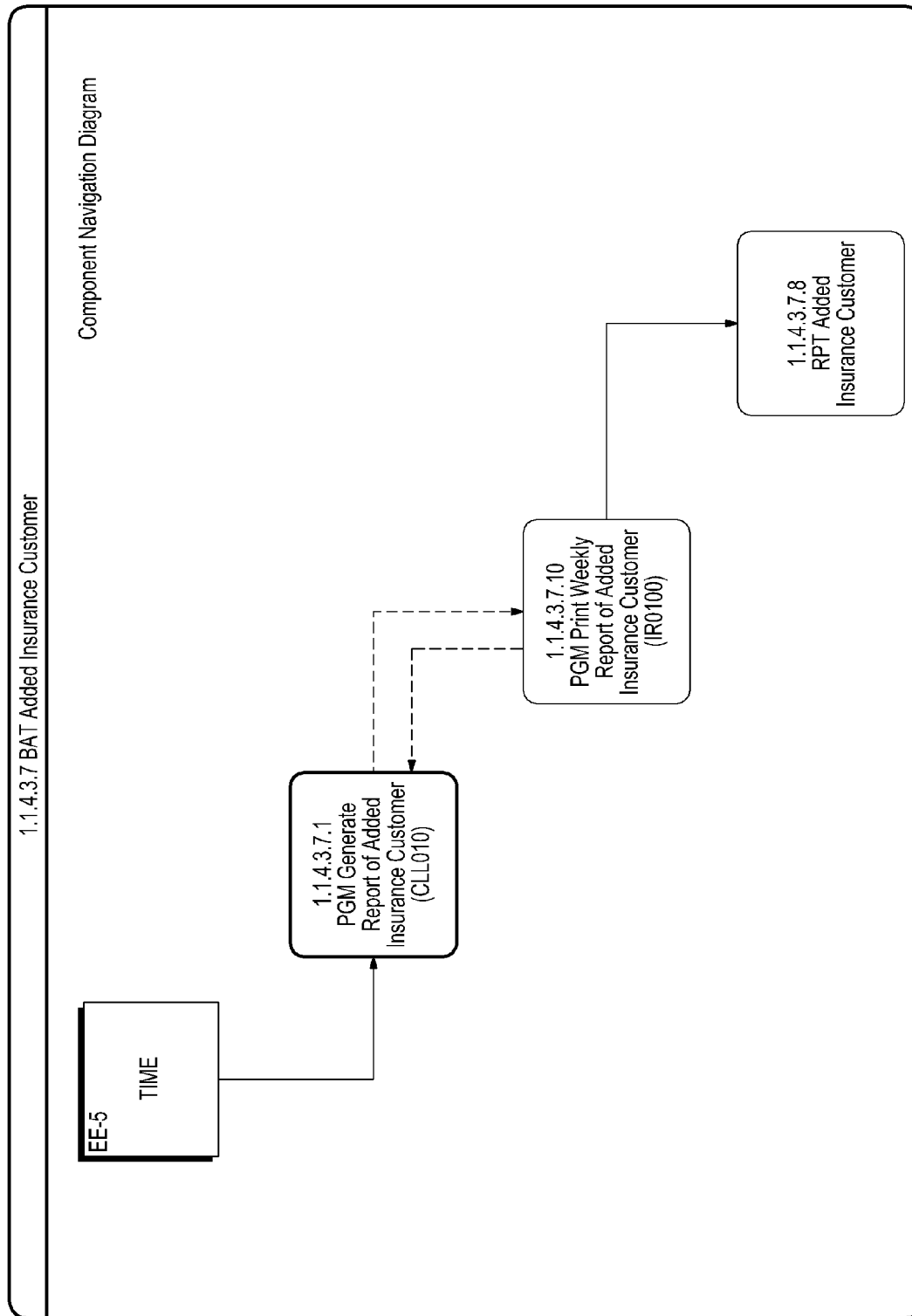


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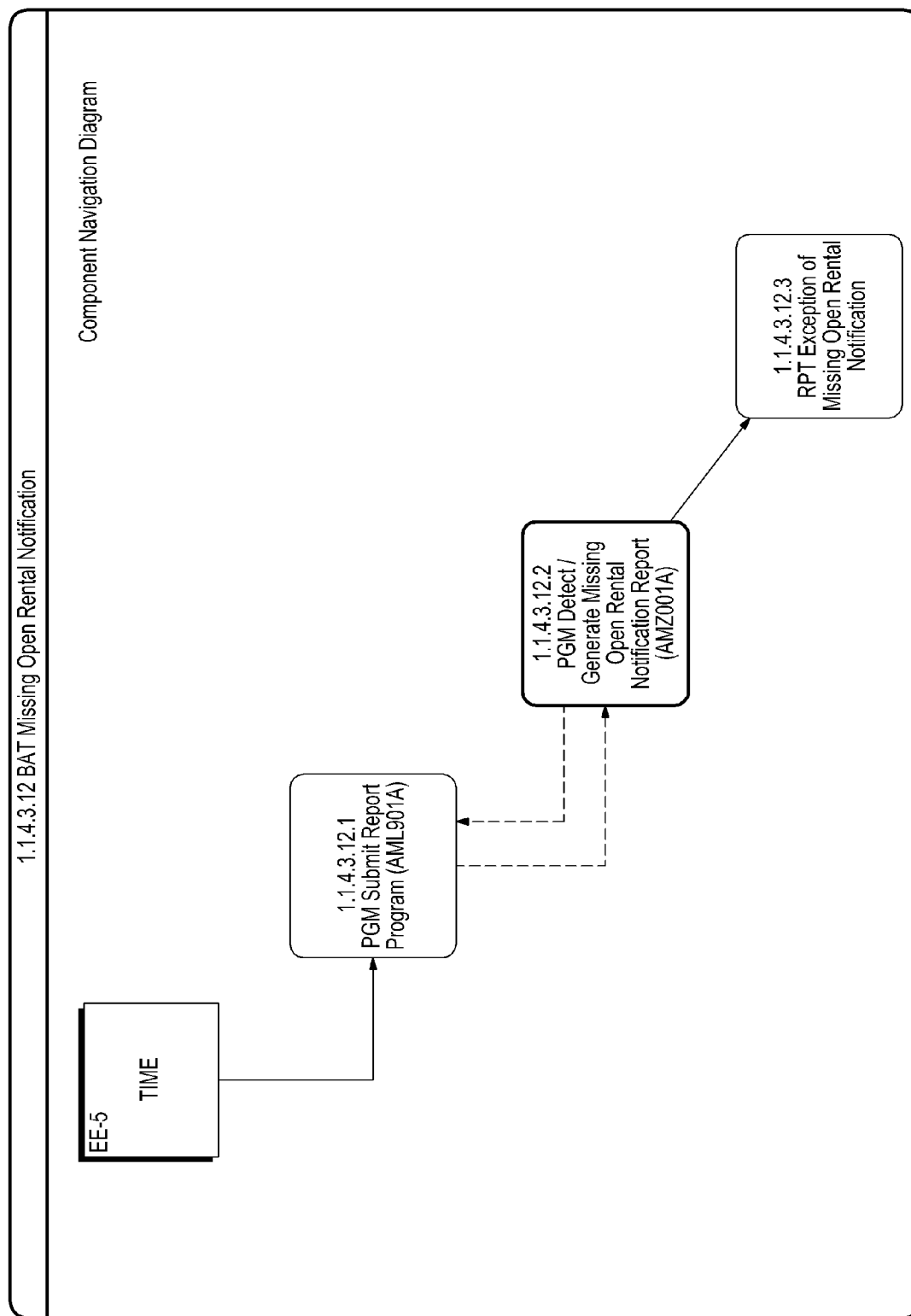


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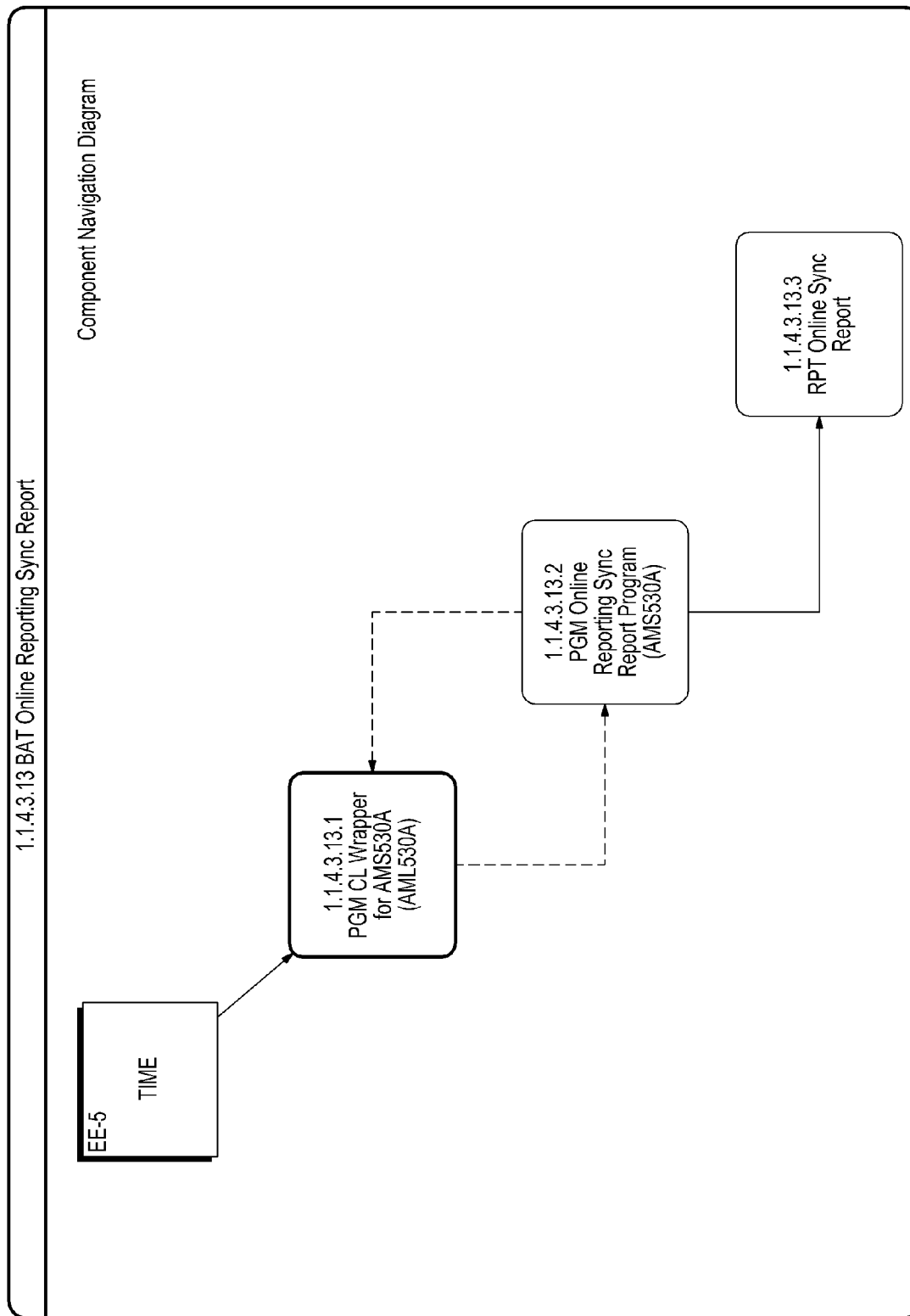


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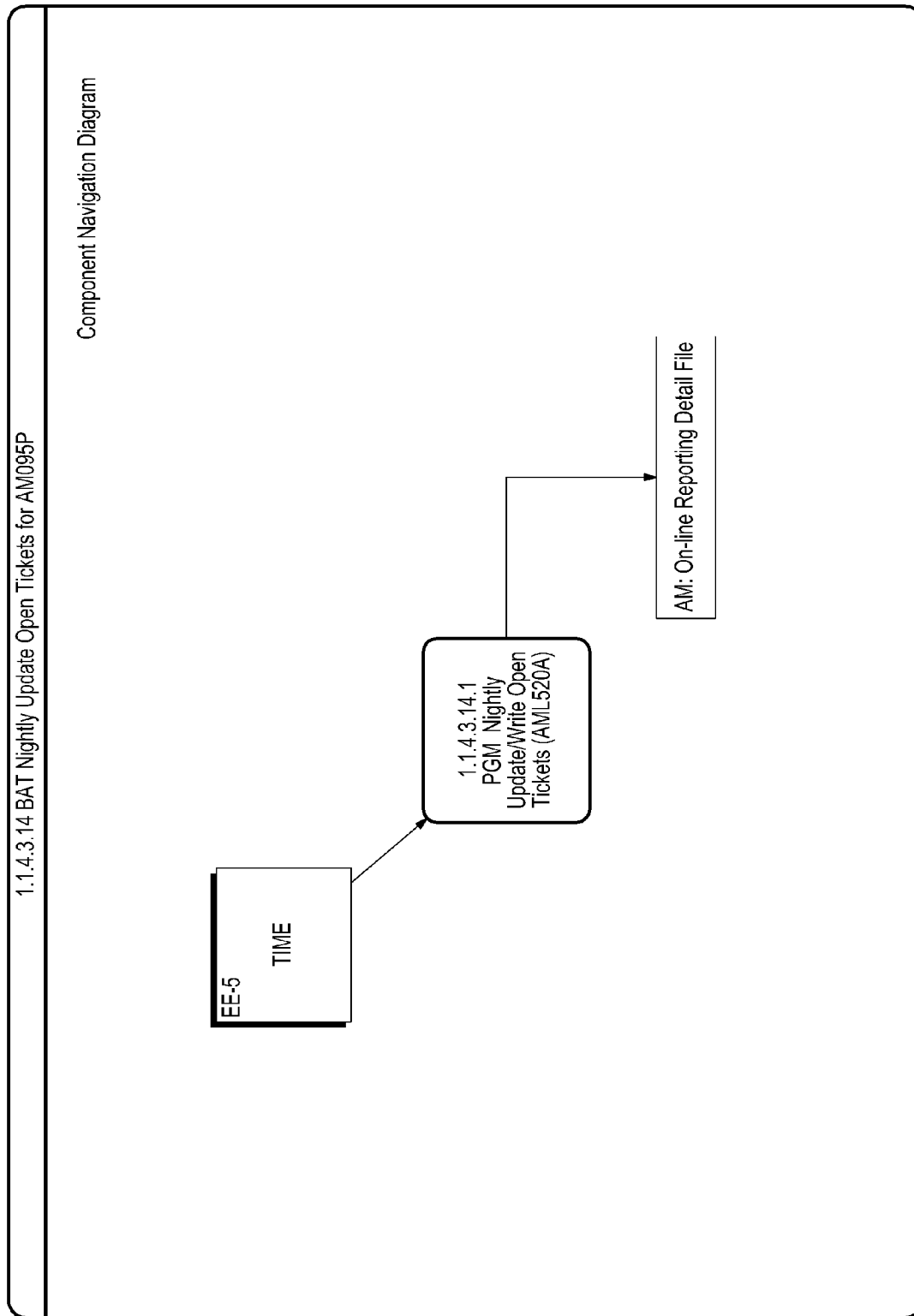


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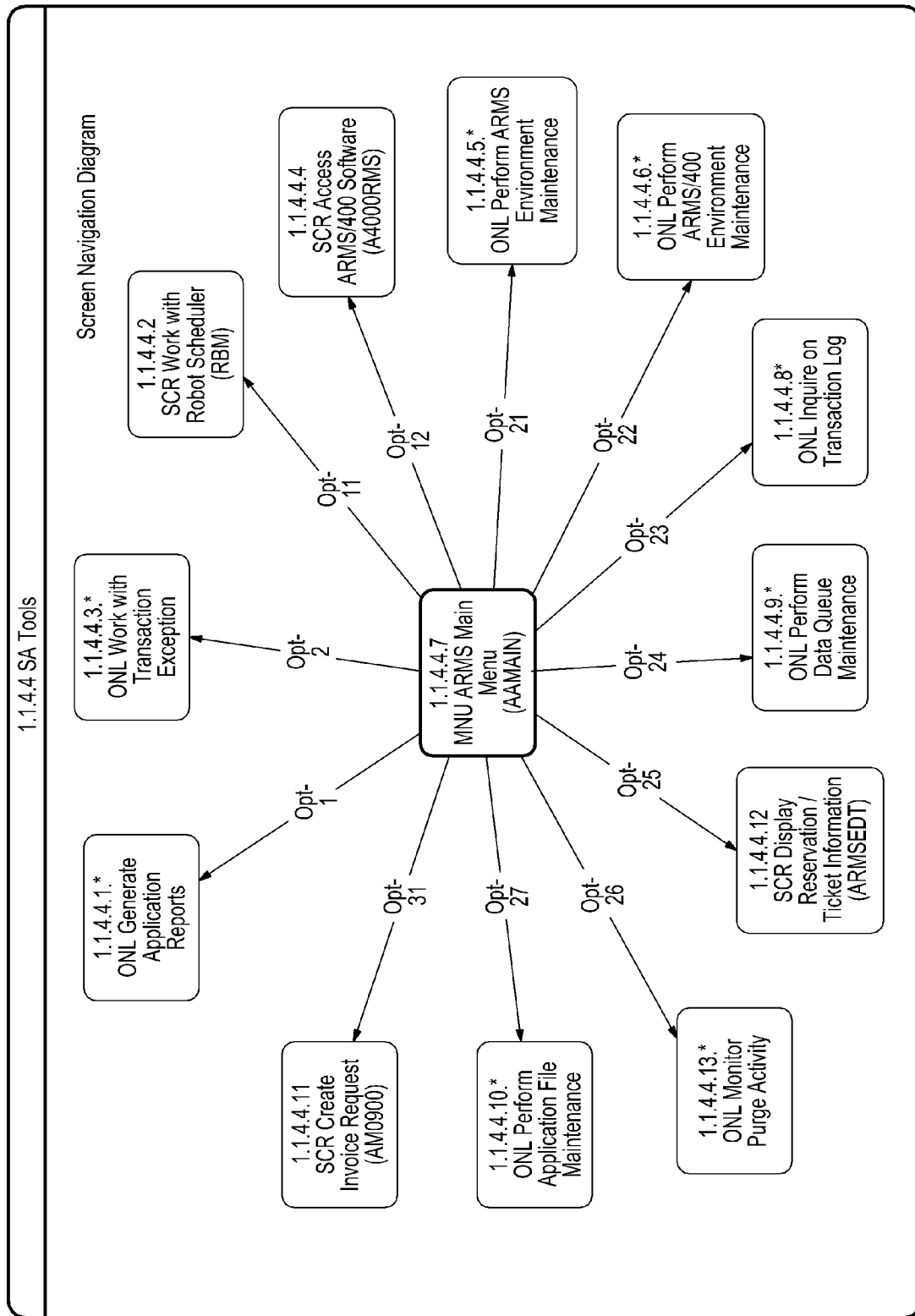


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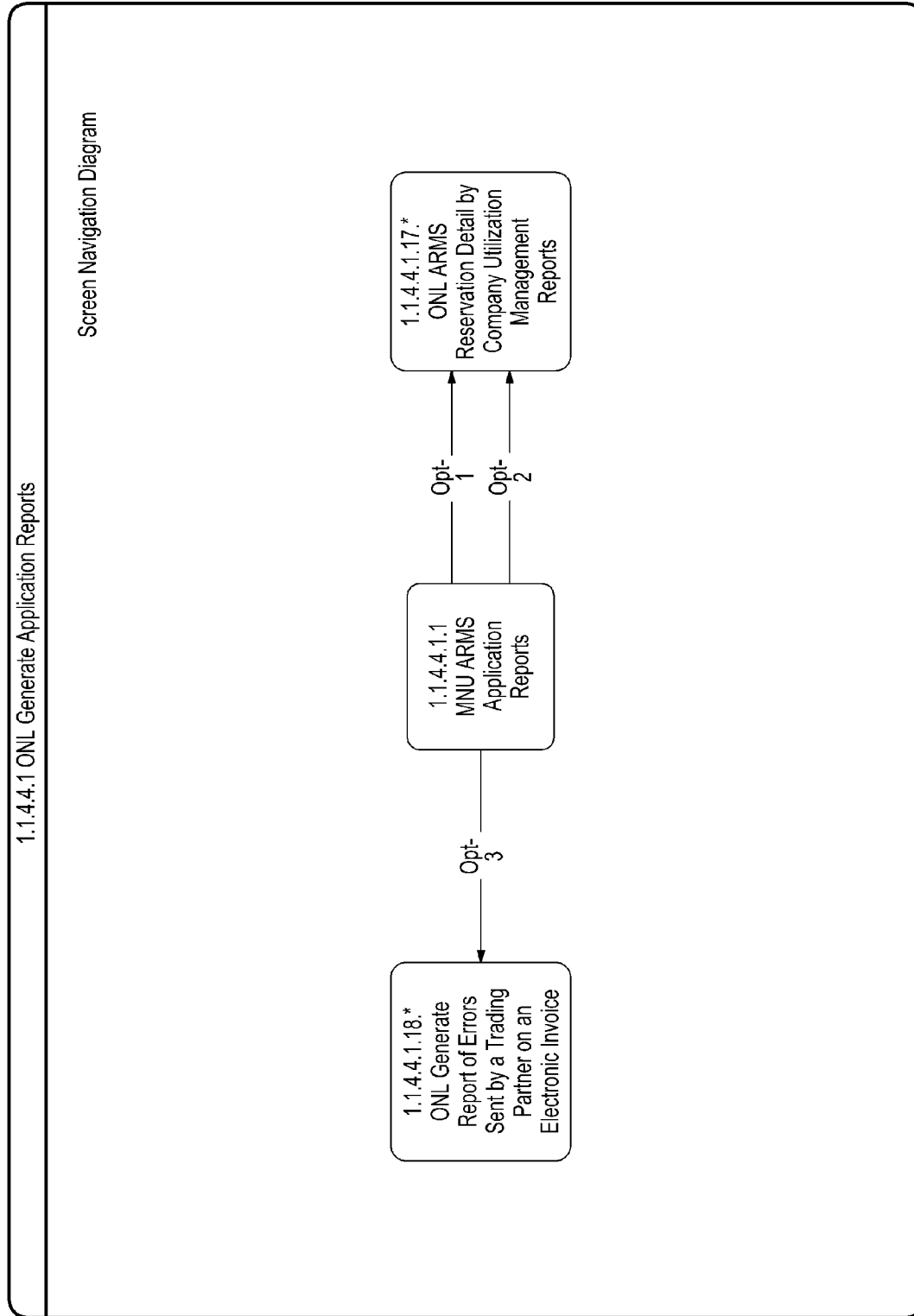


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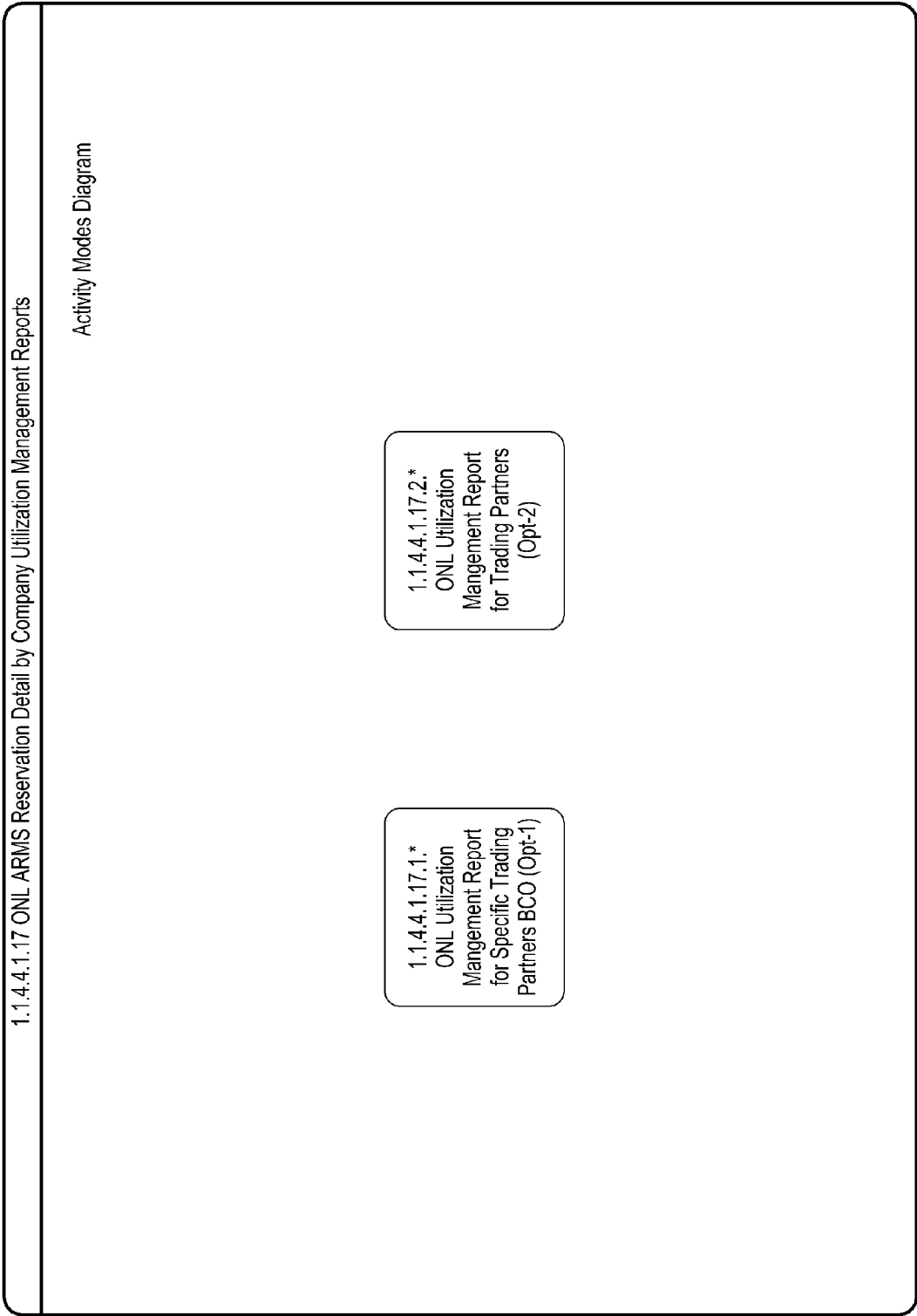


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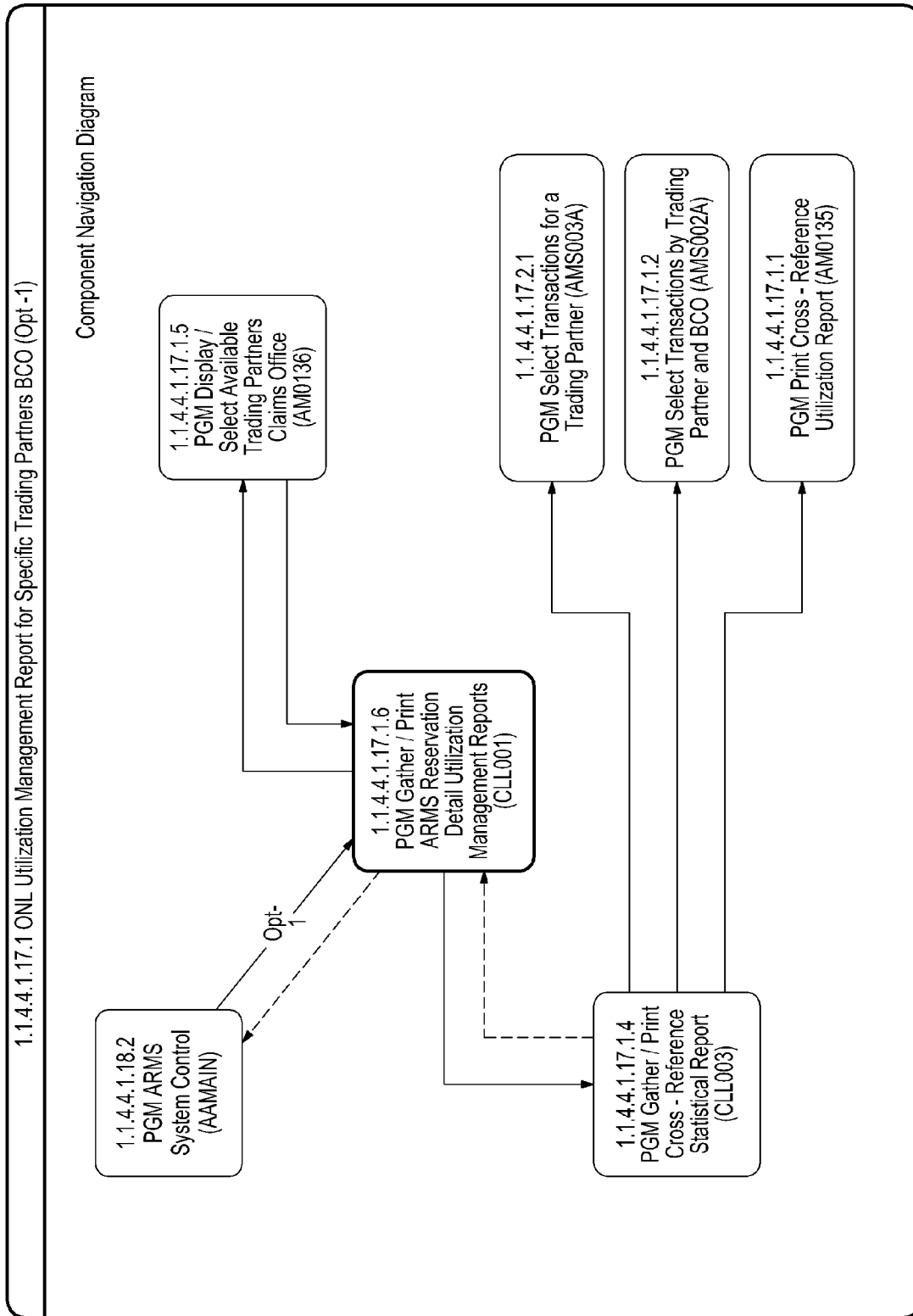


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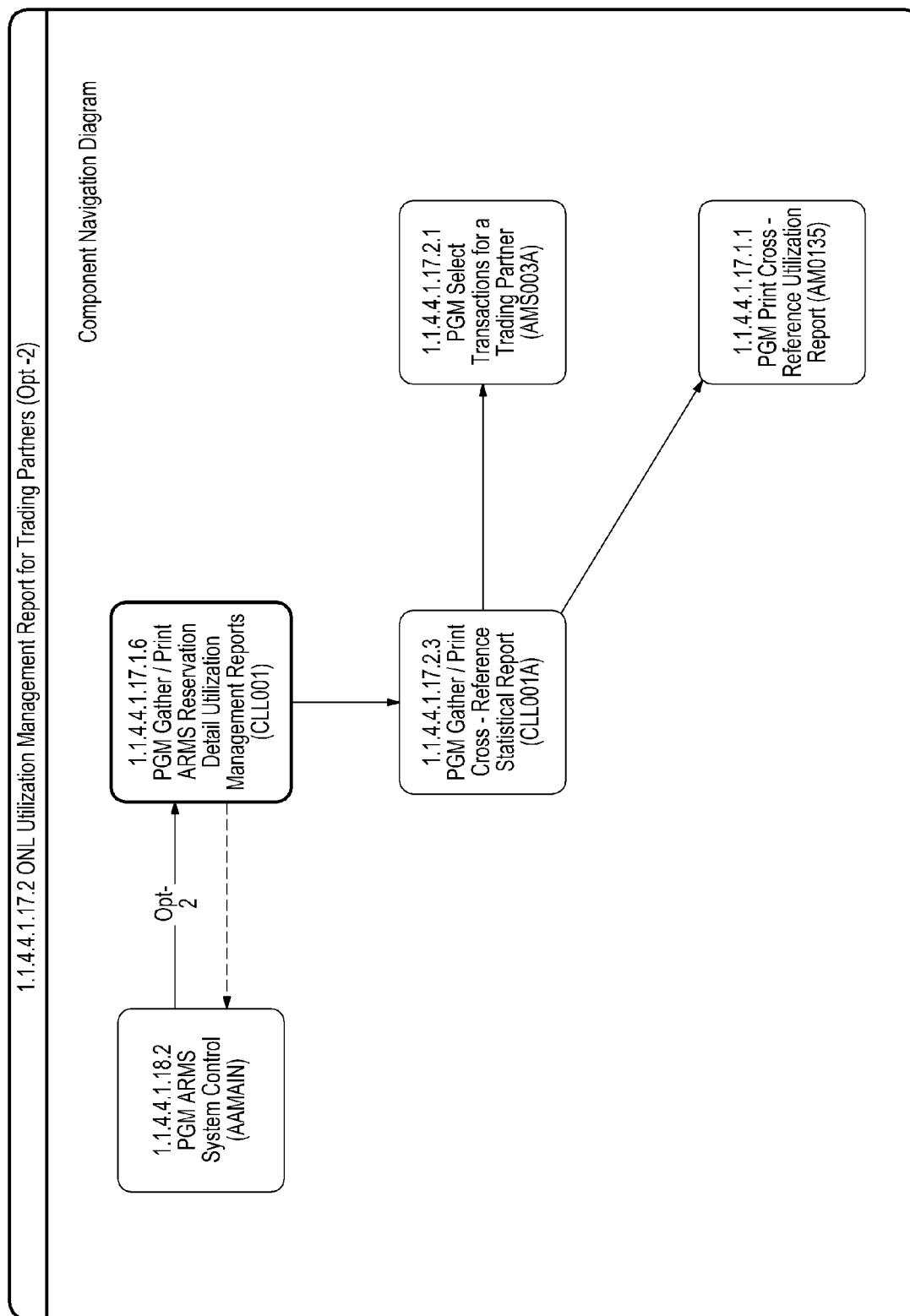


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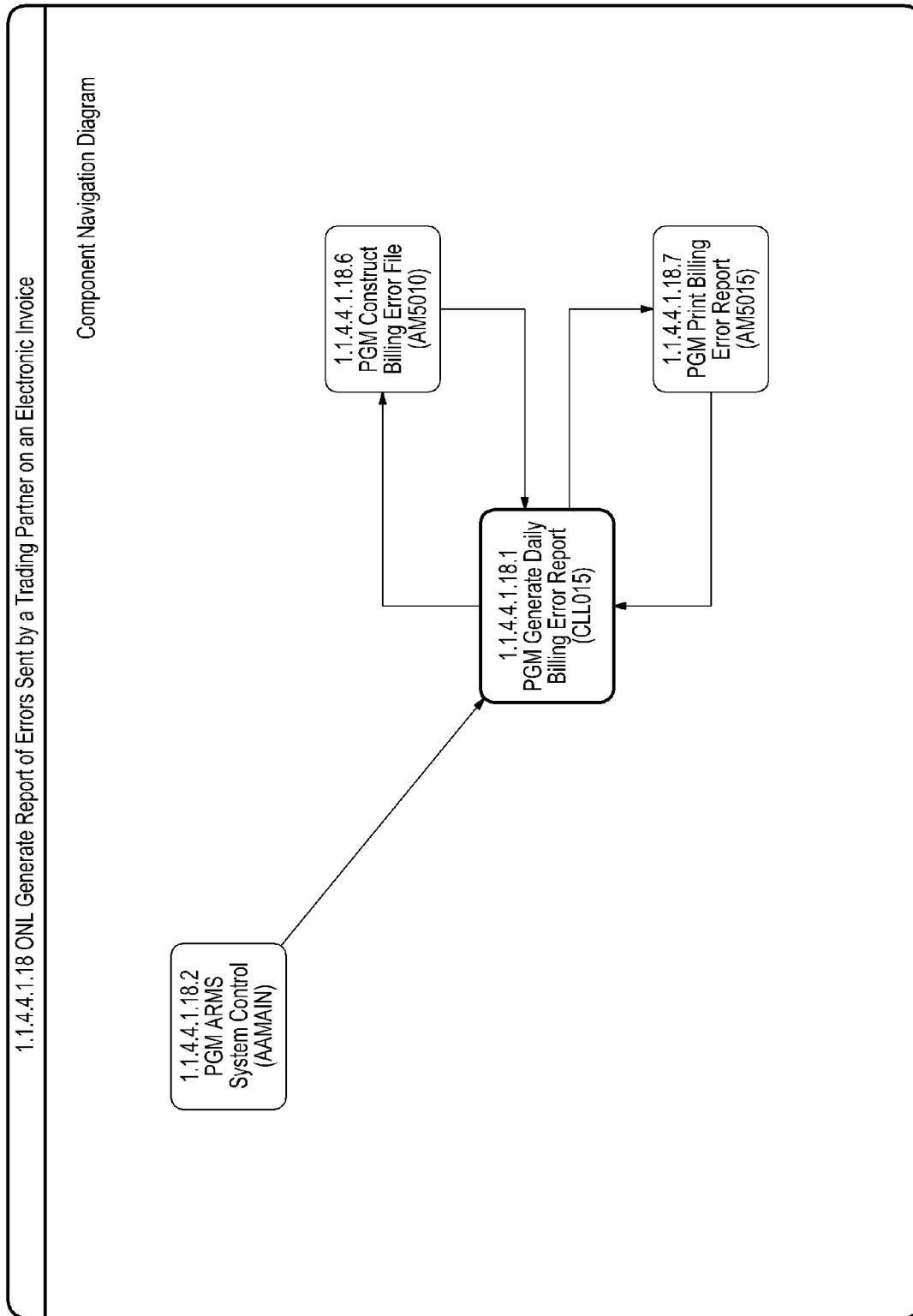


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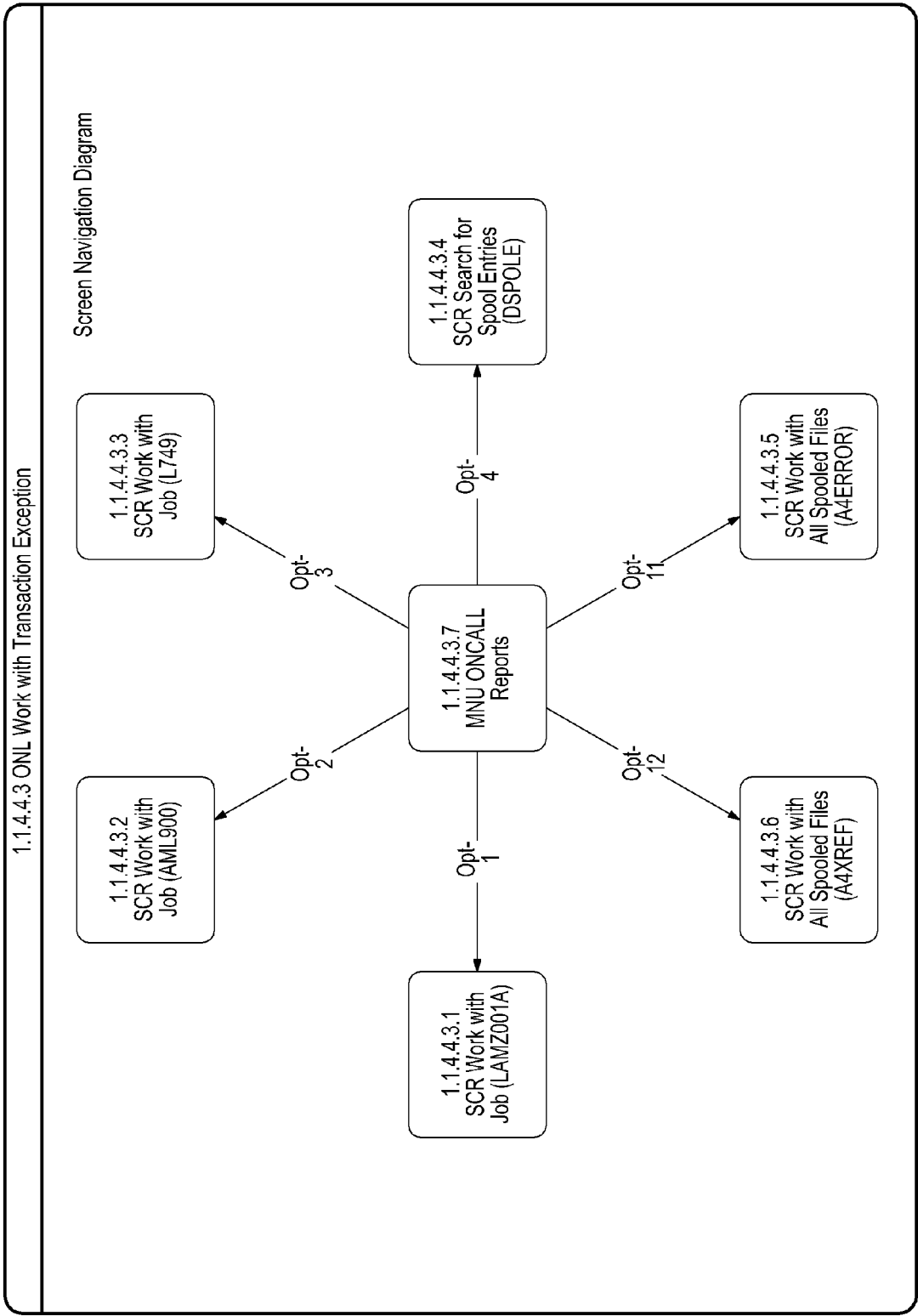


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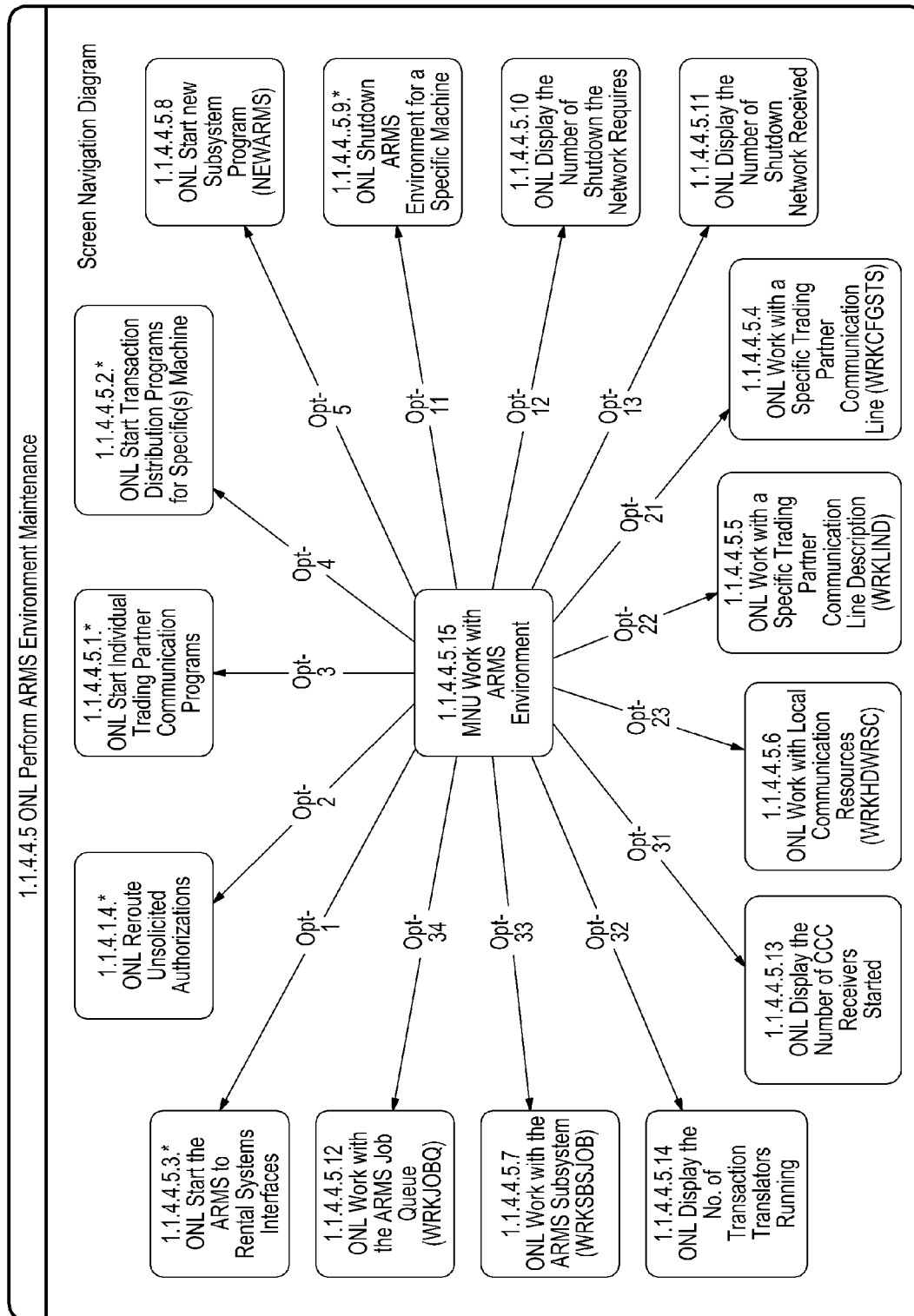


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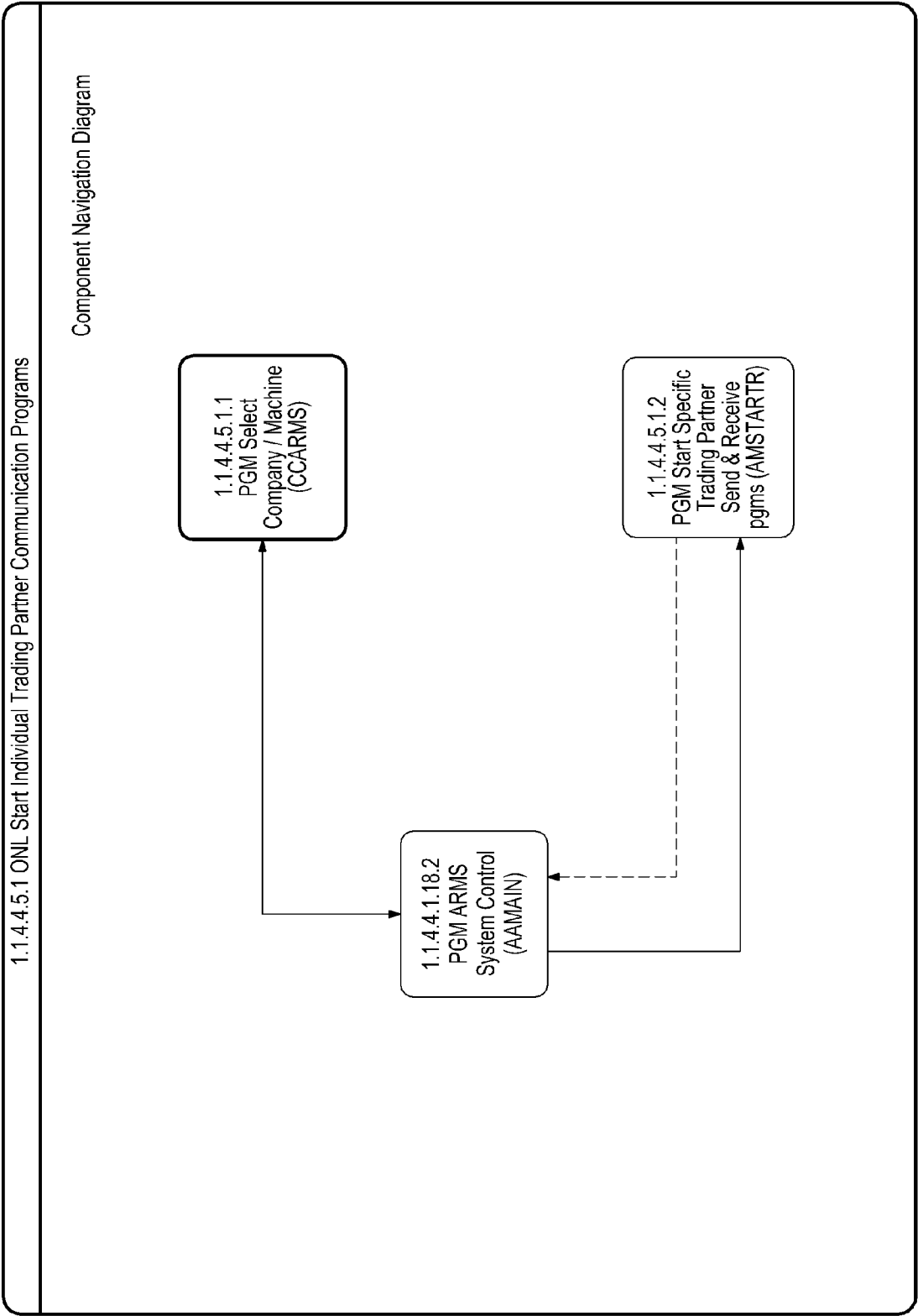


FIG. 70

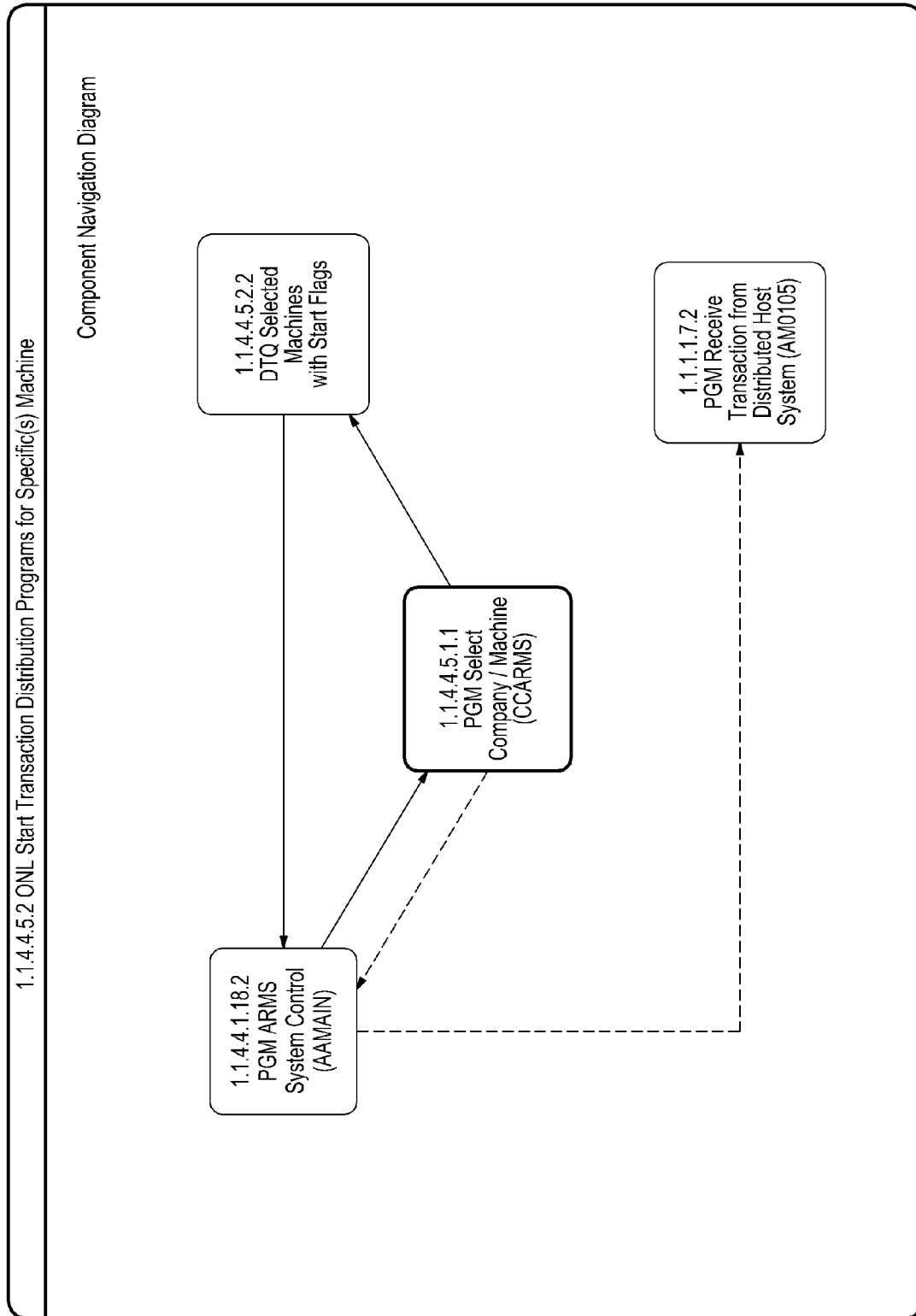


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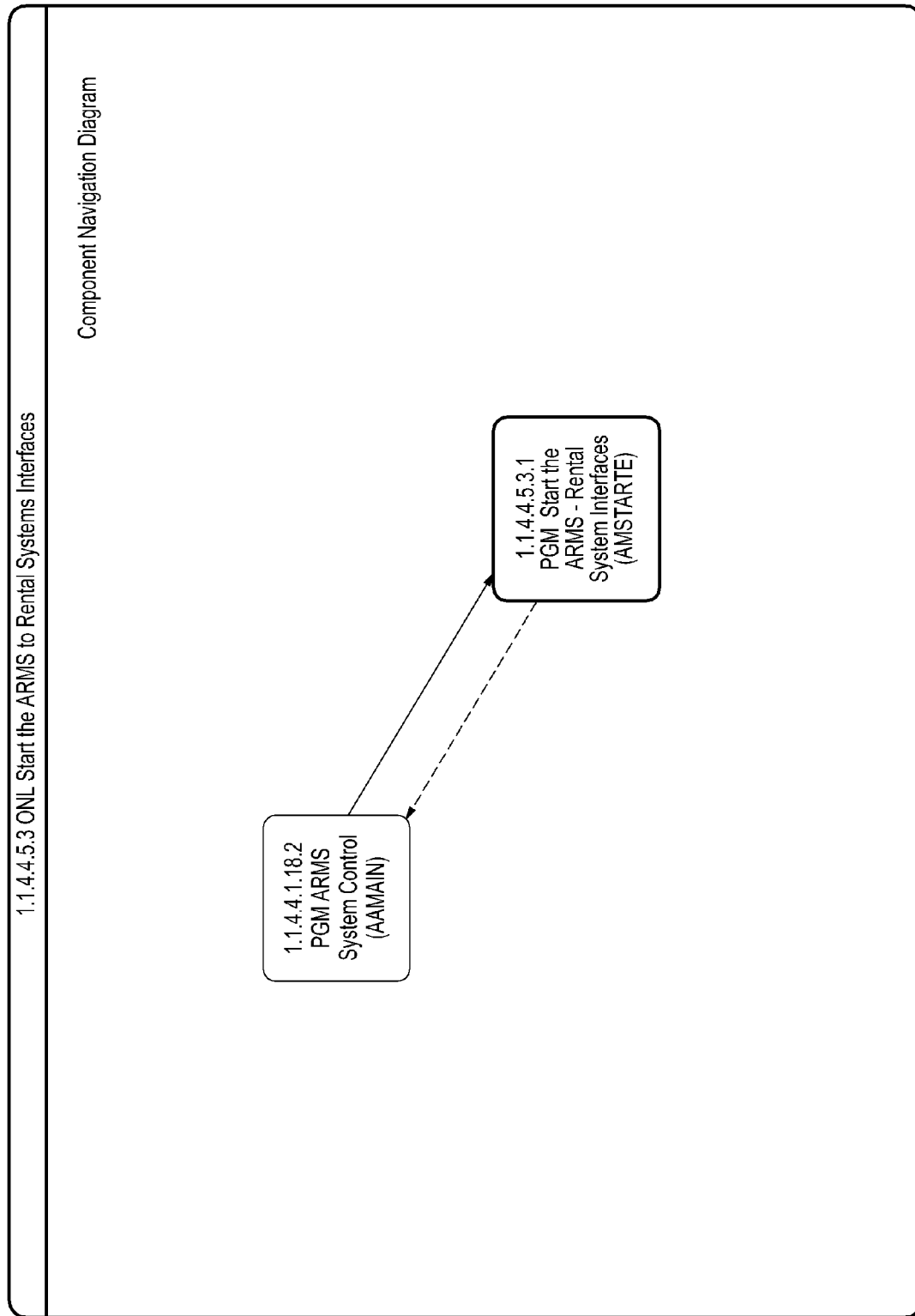


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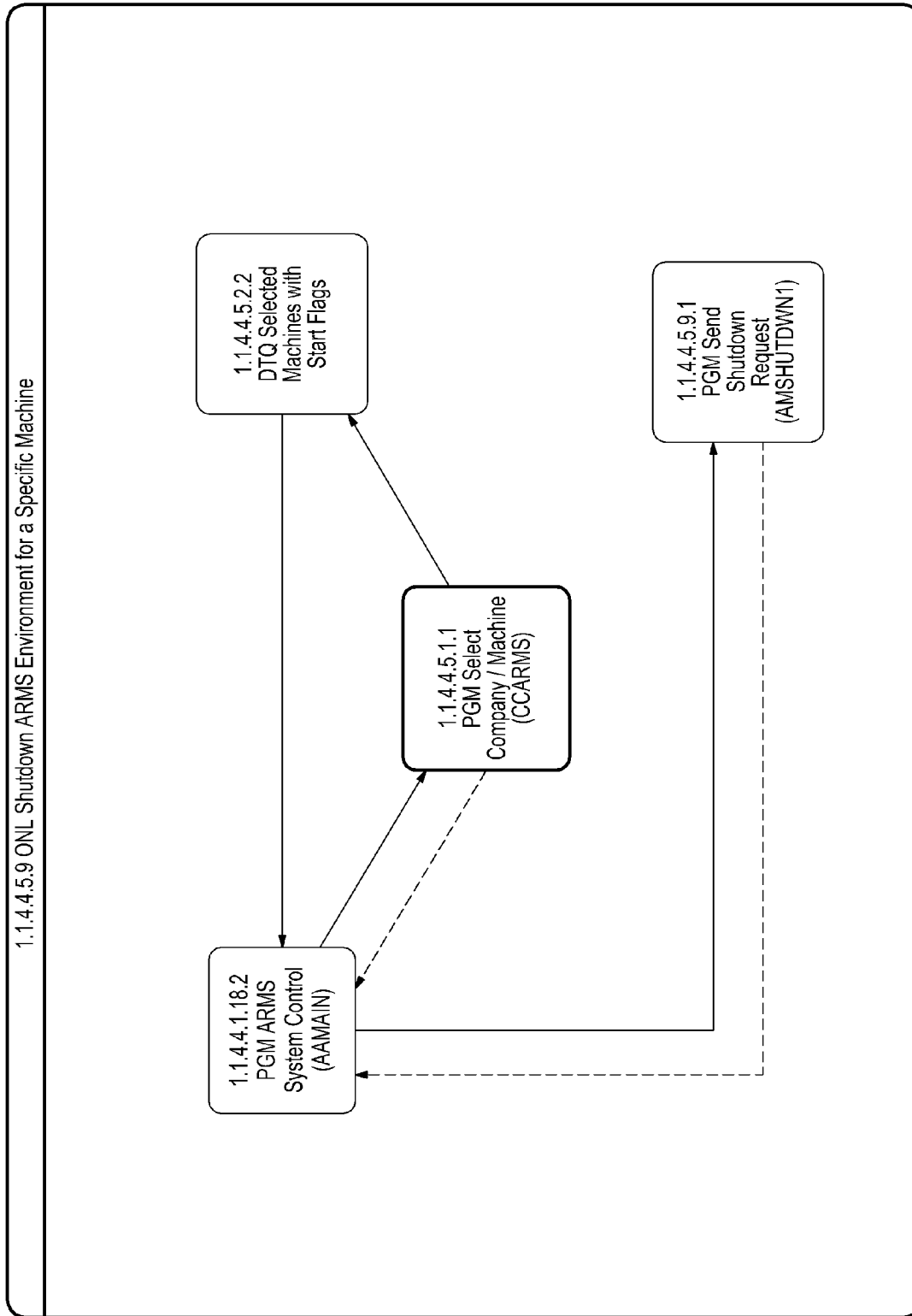


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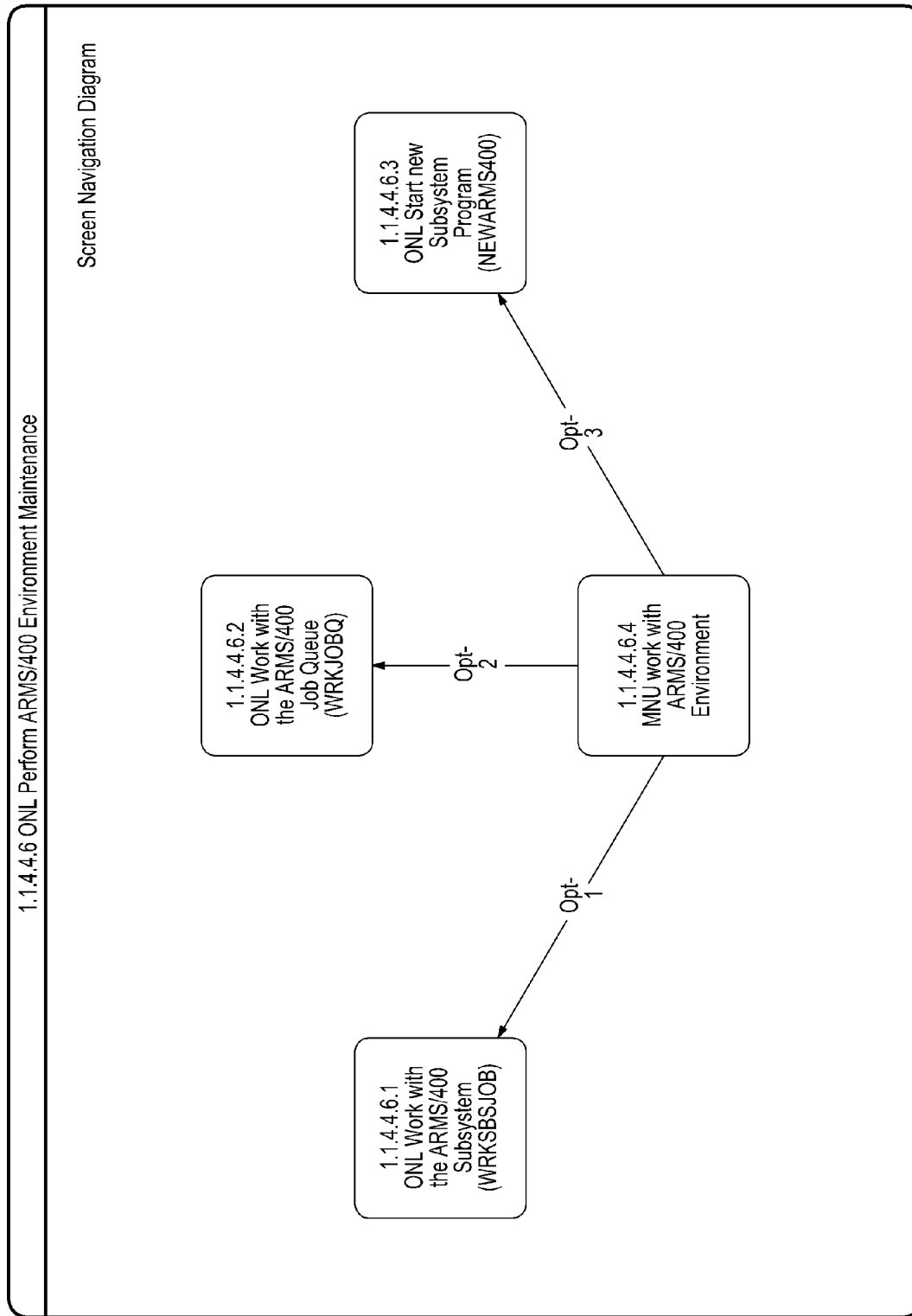


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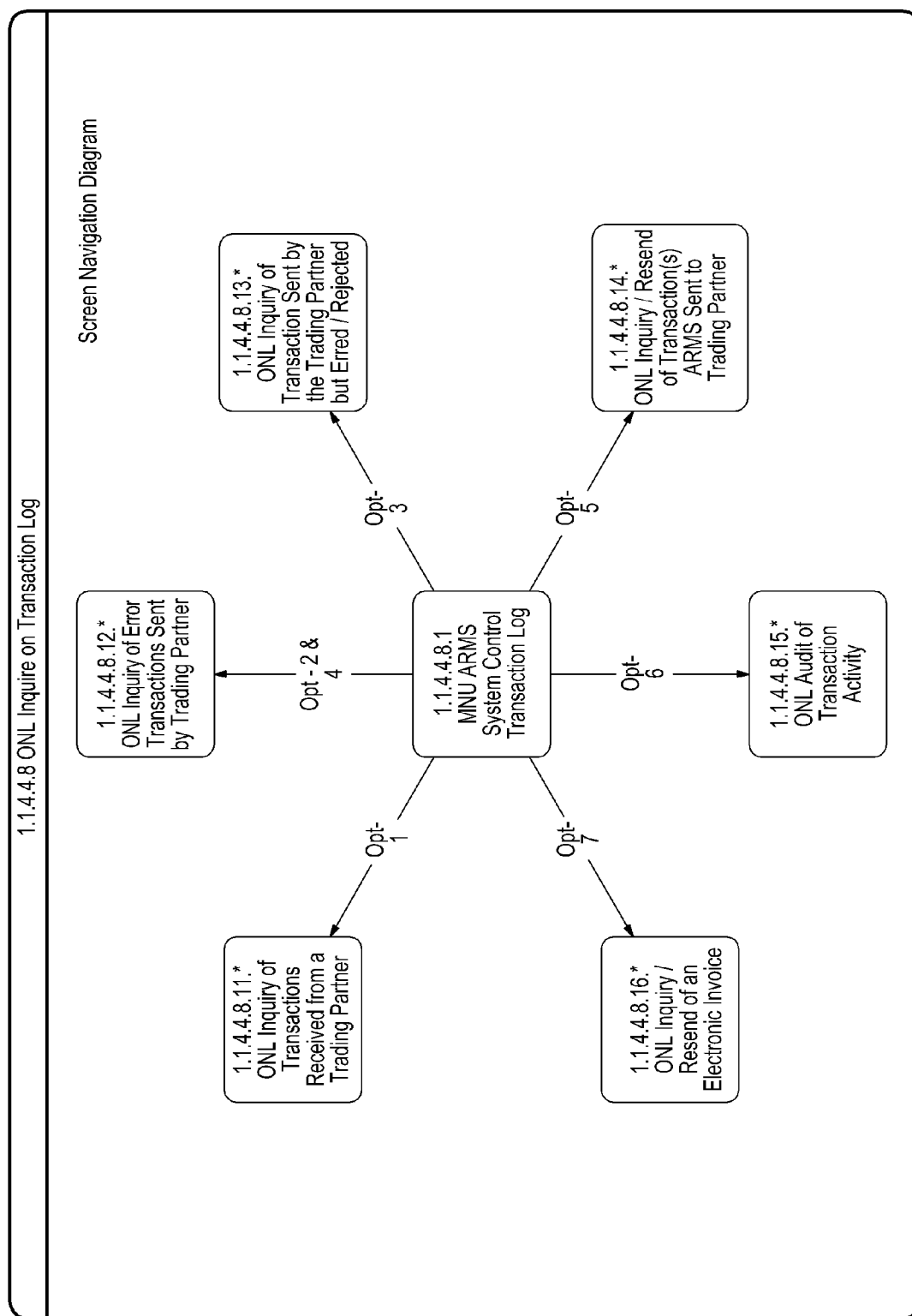


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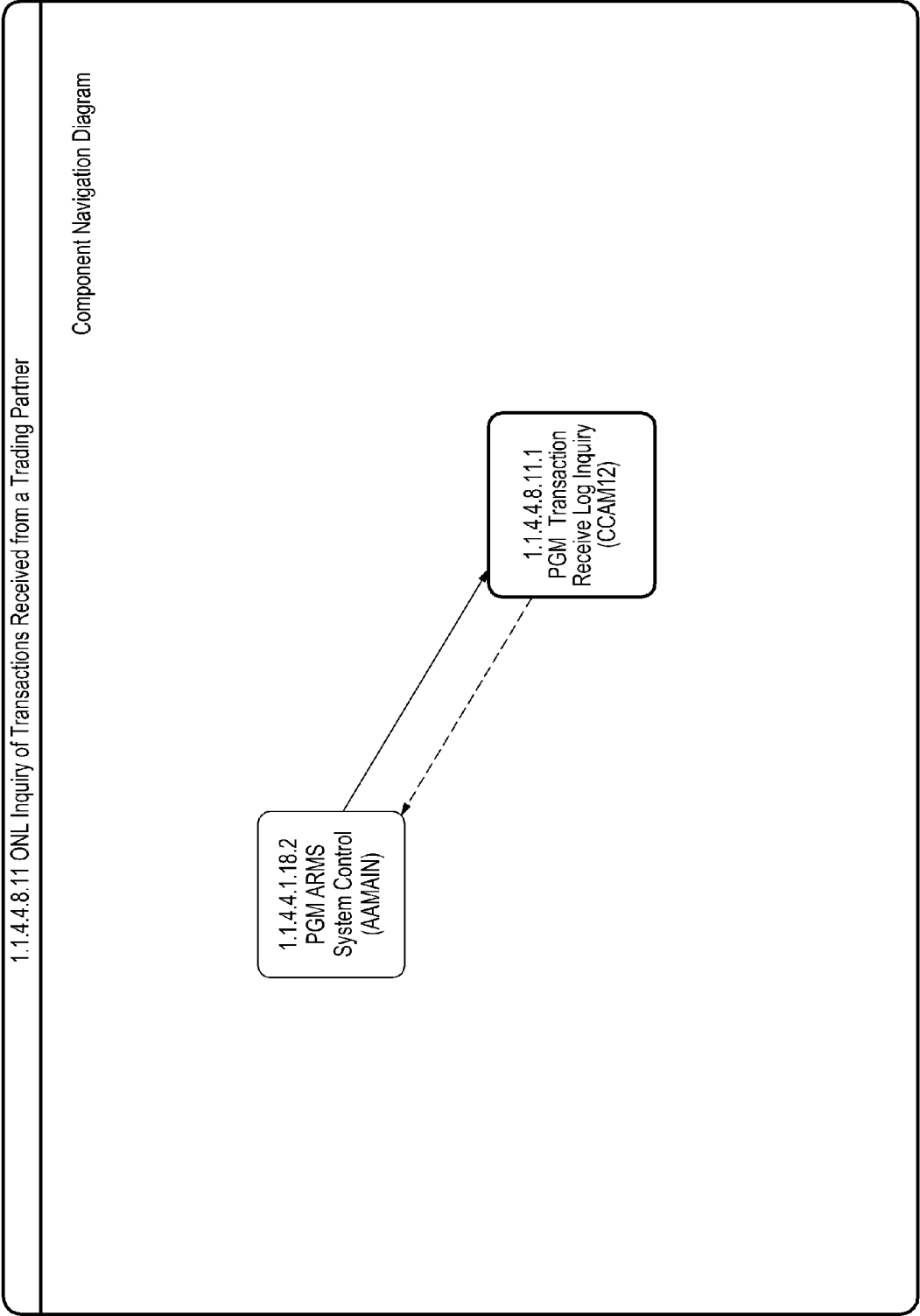


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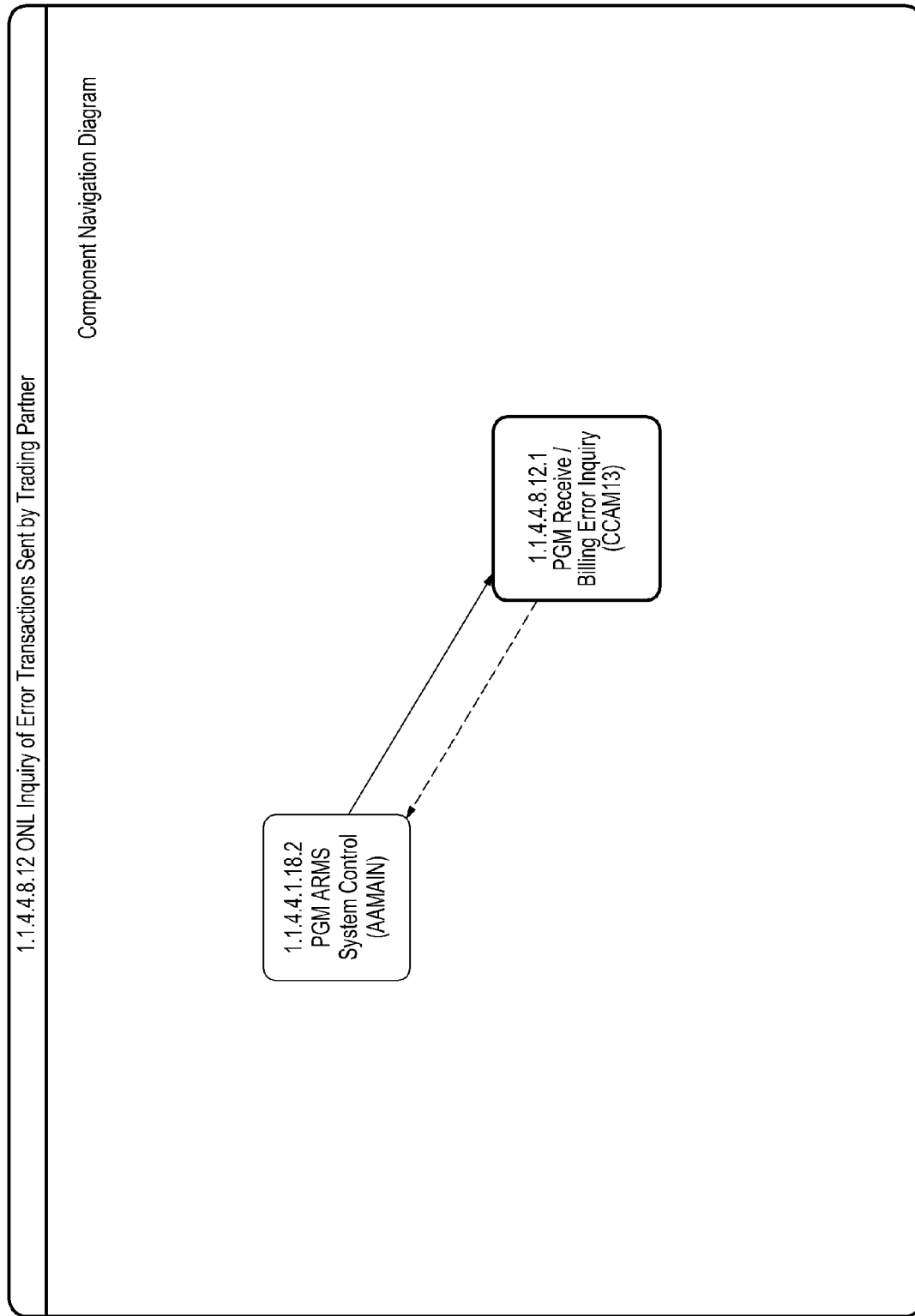


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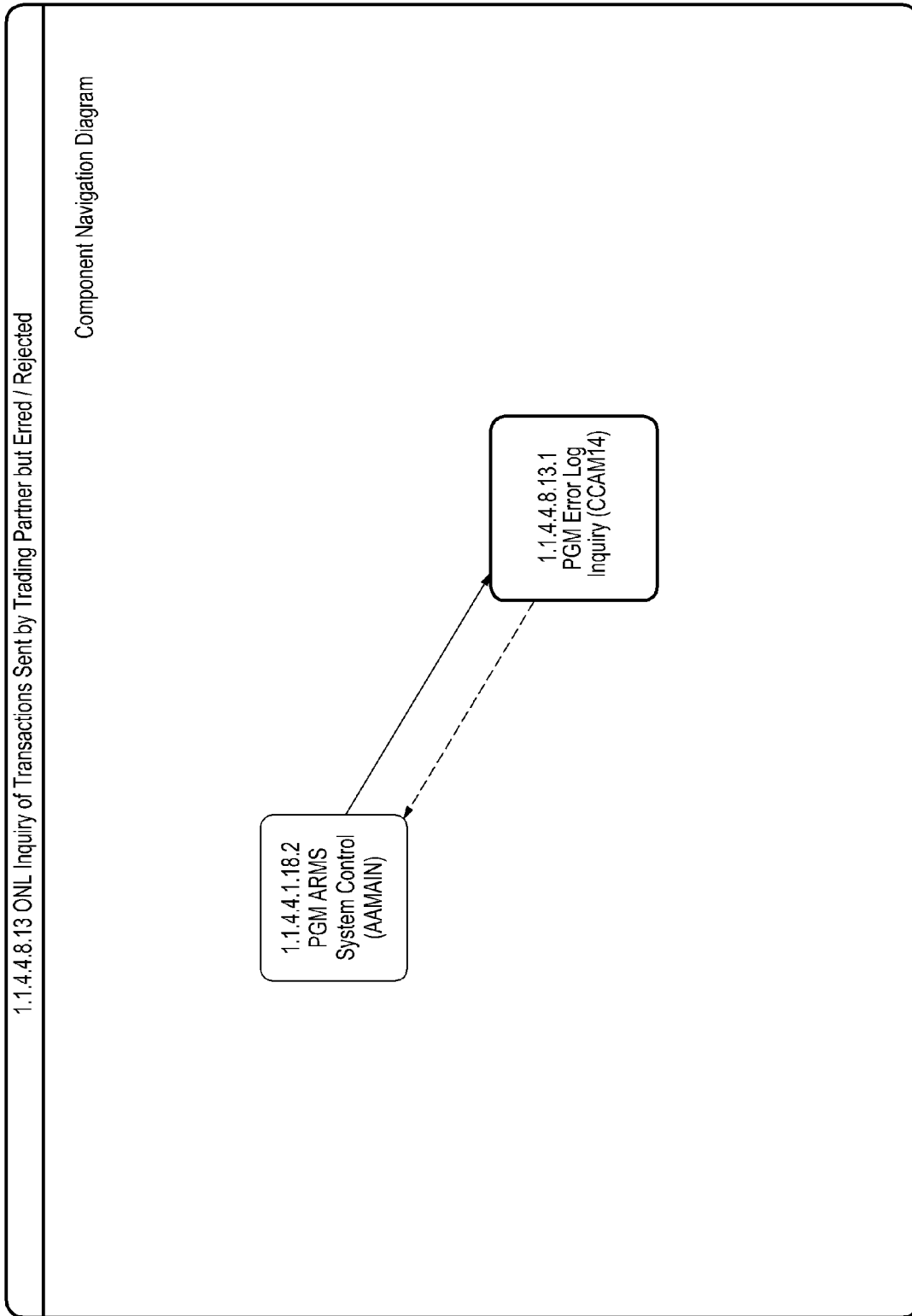


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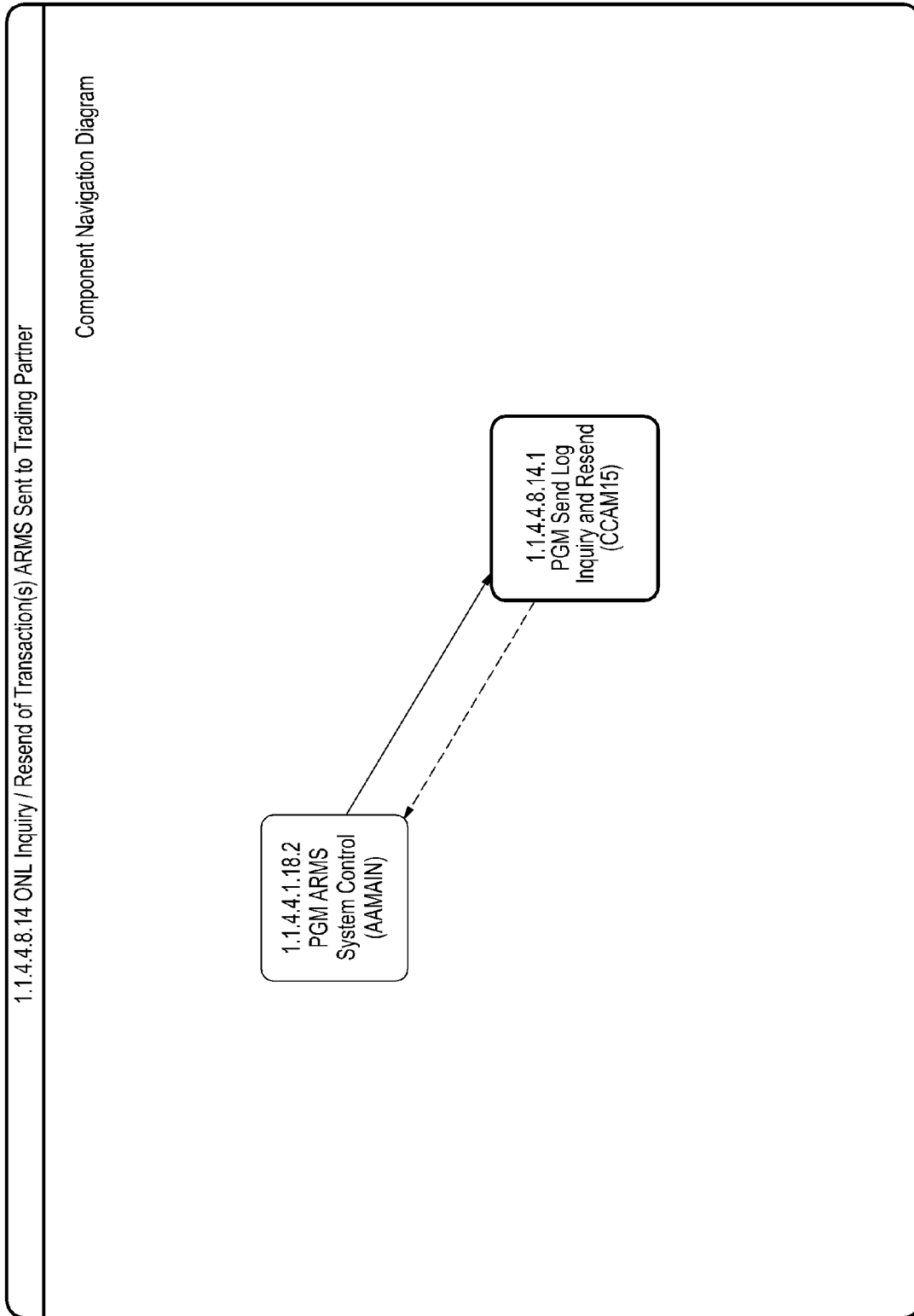


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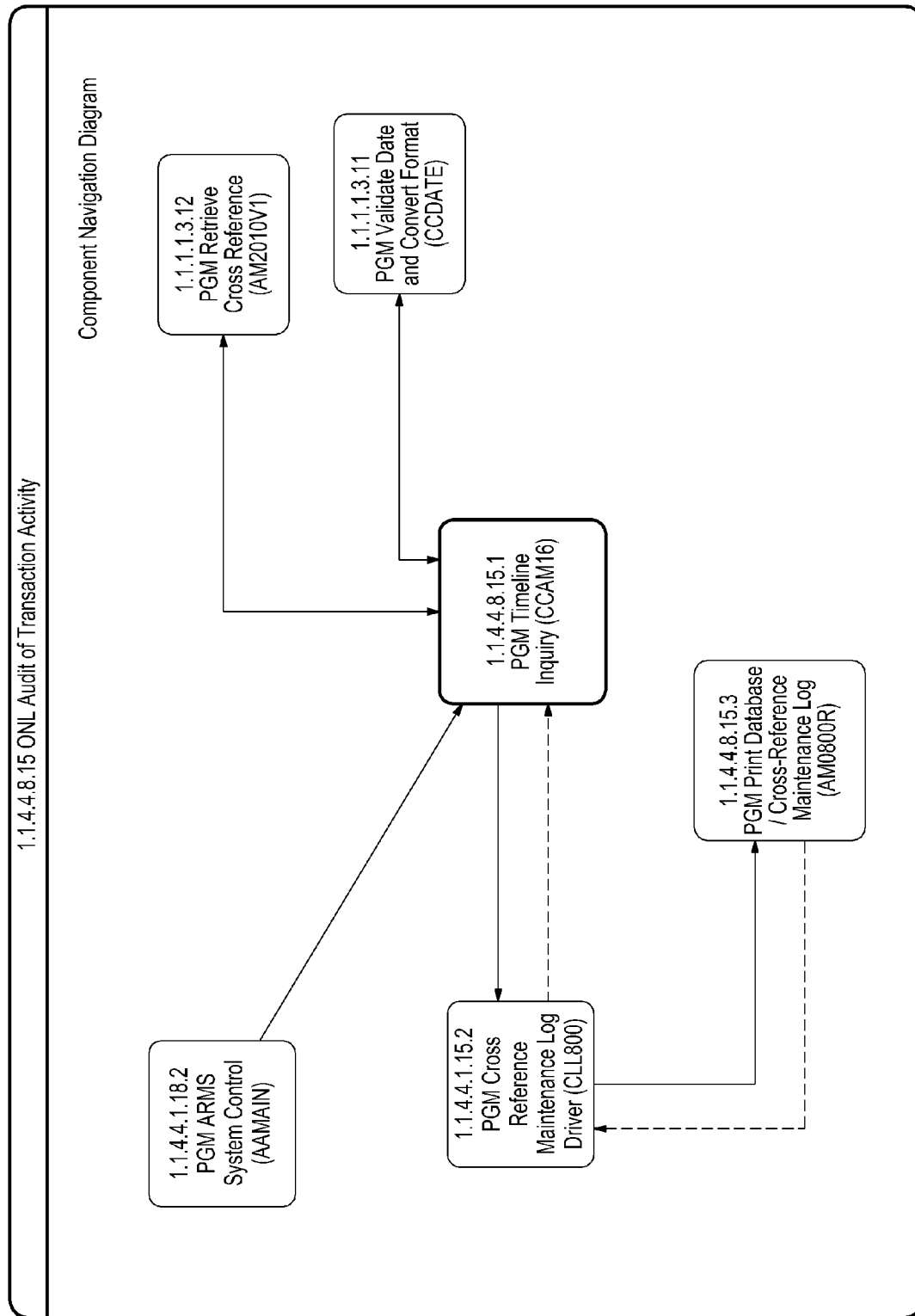


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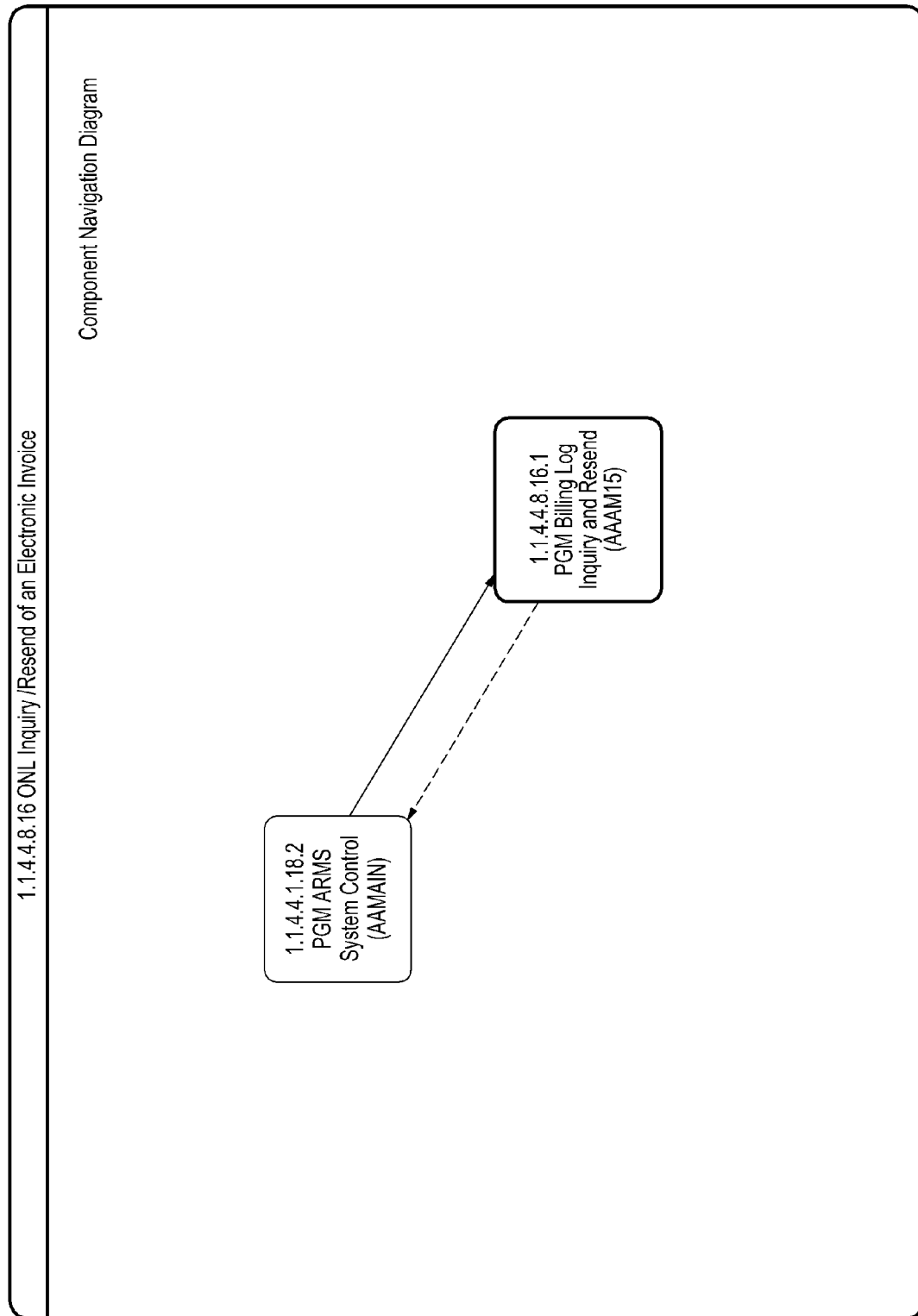


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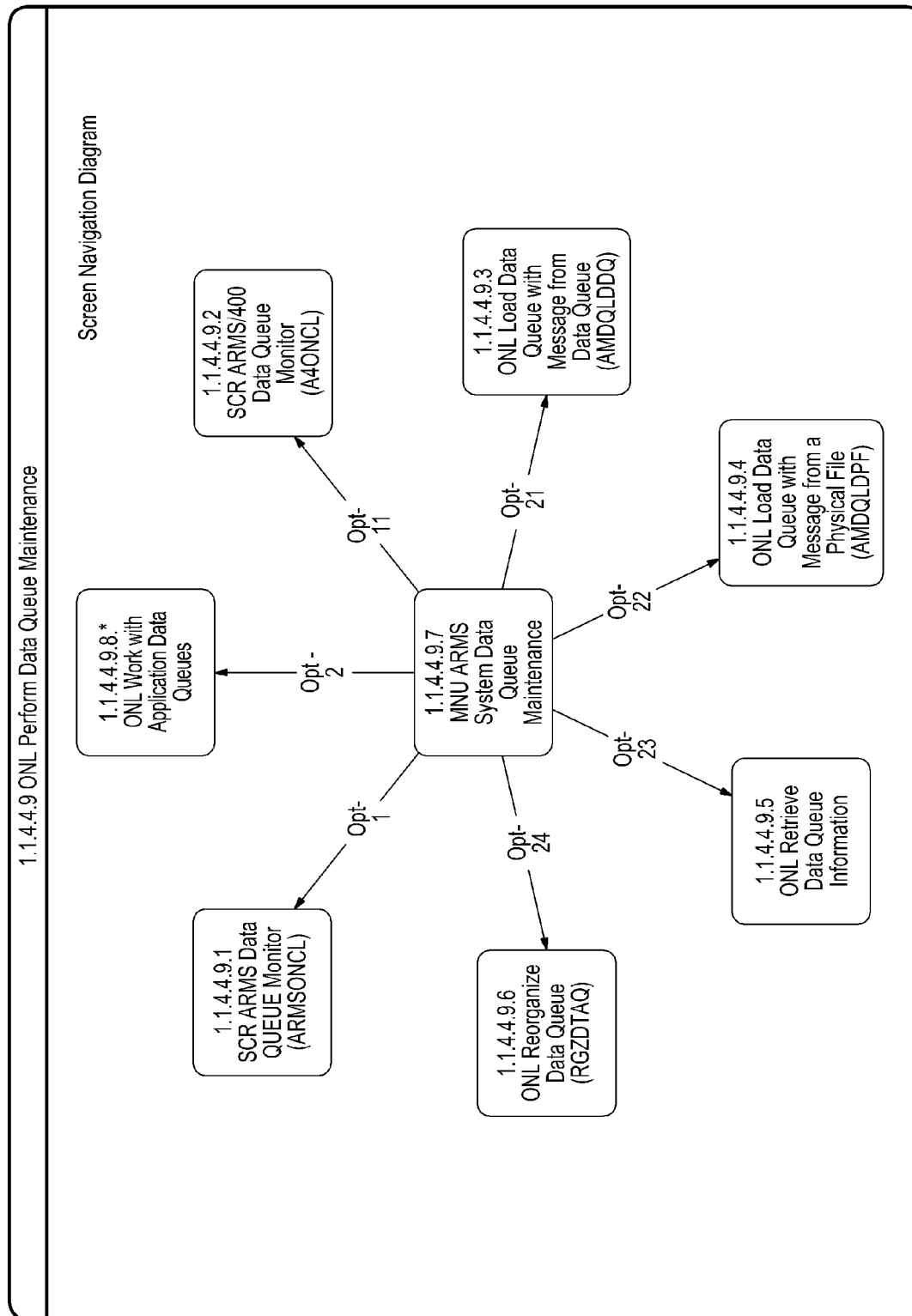


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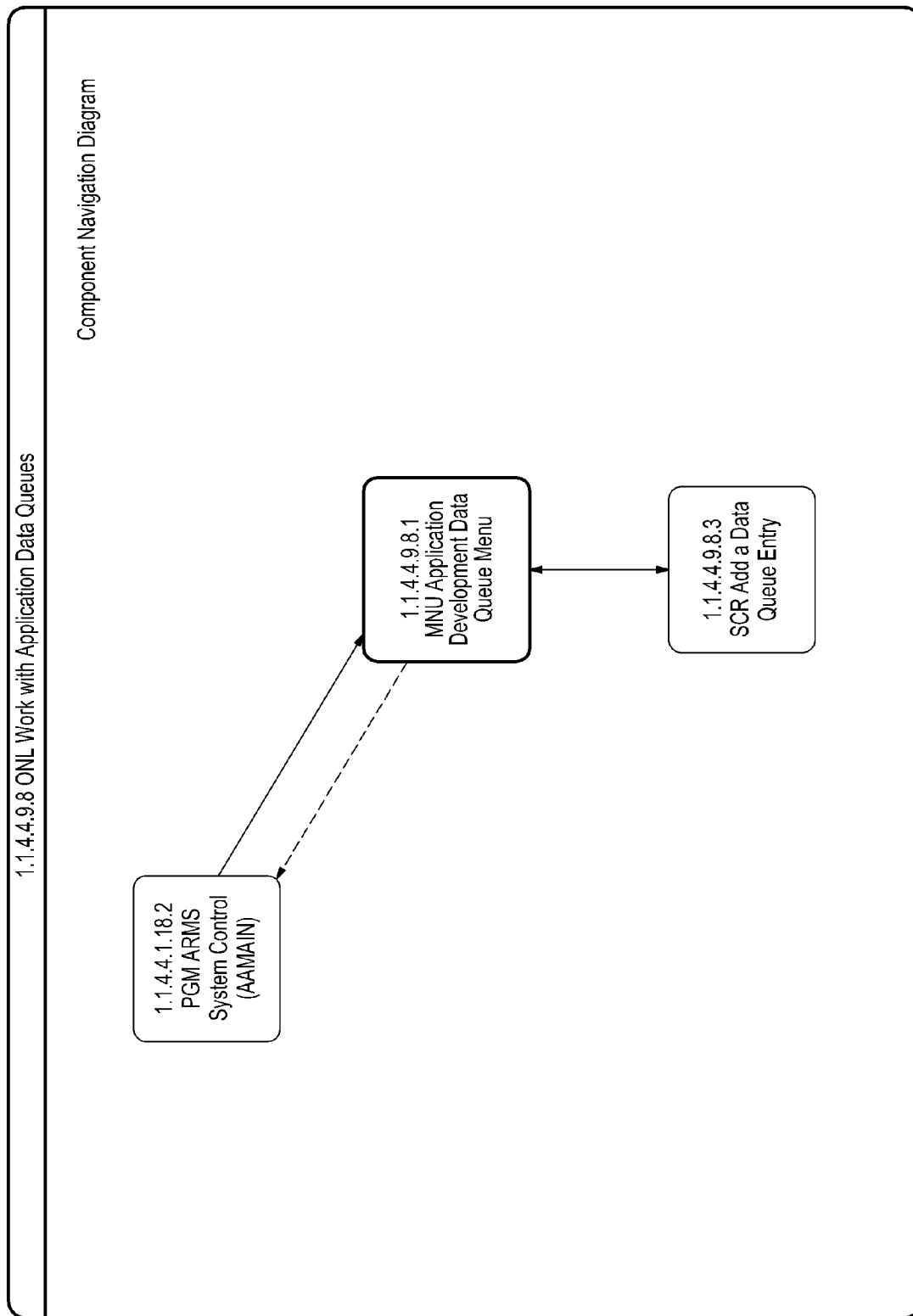


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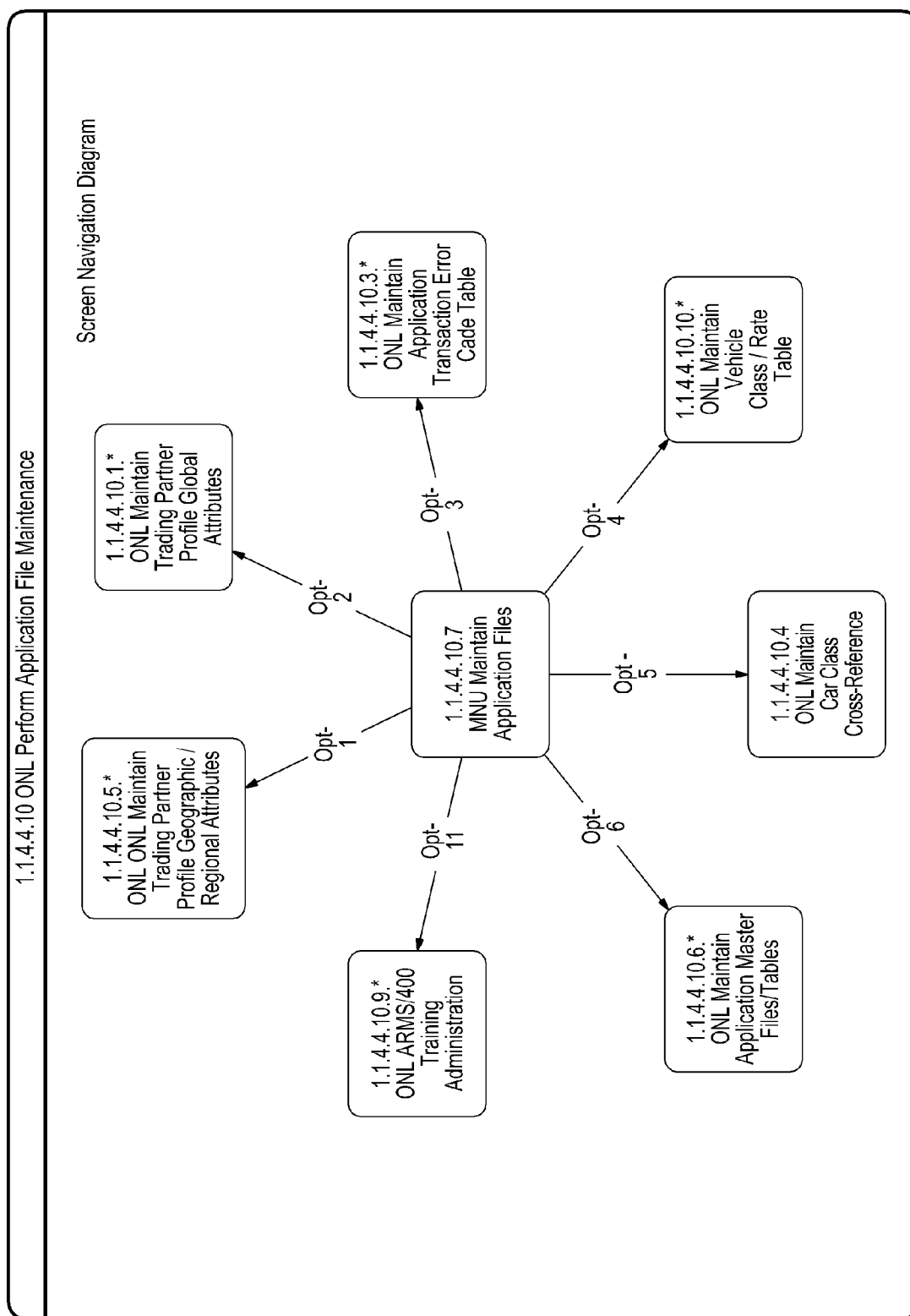


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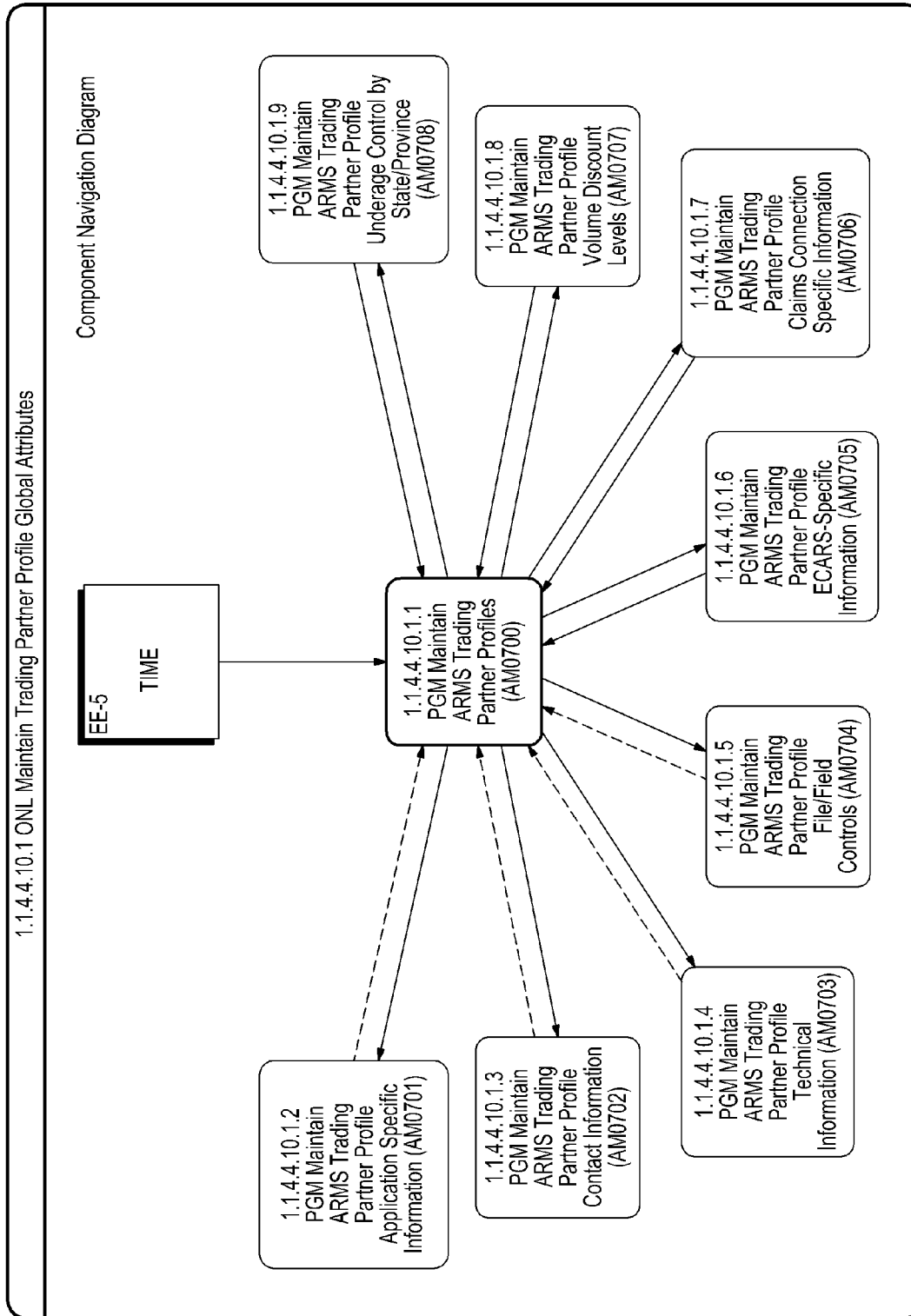


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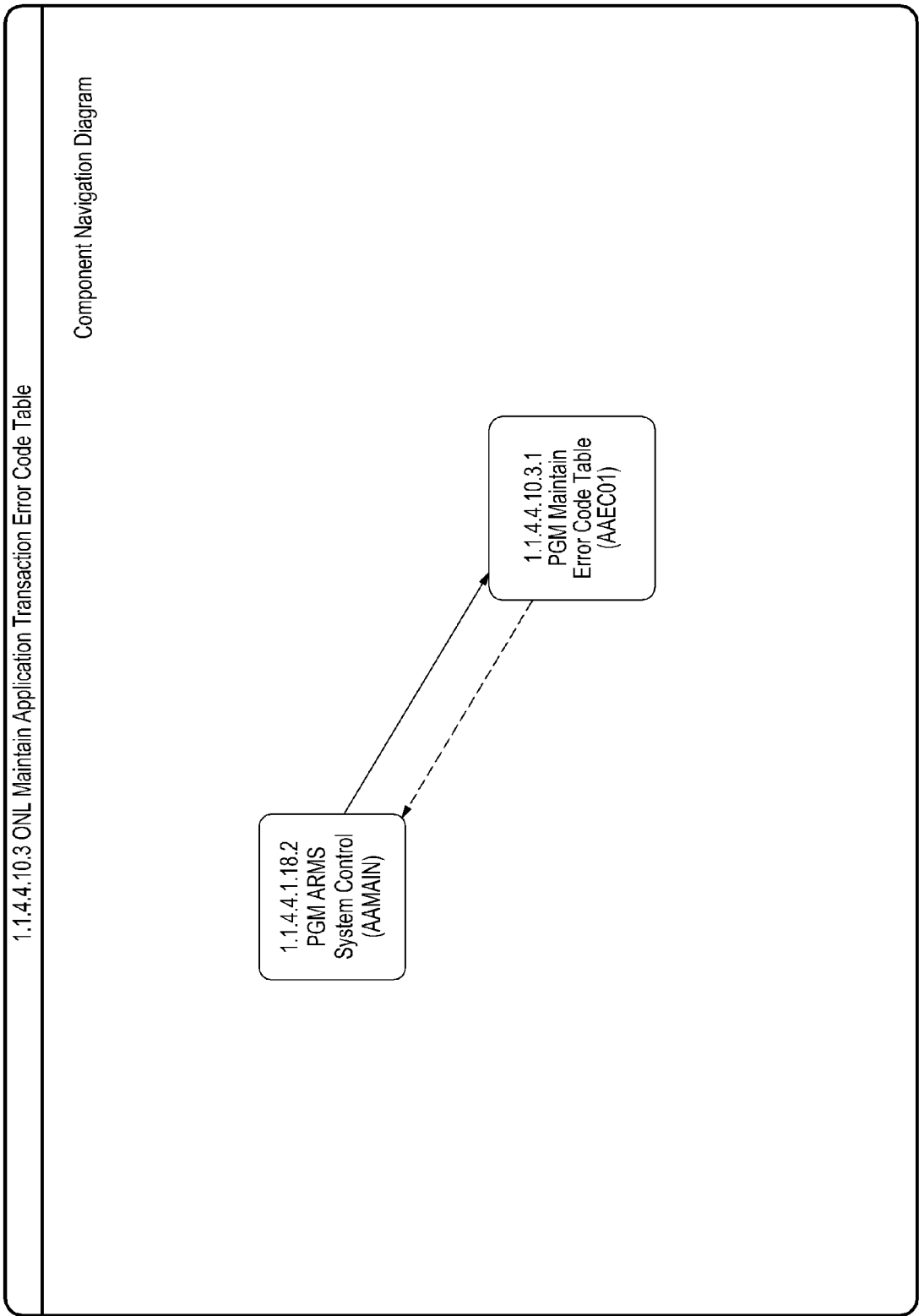


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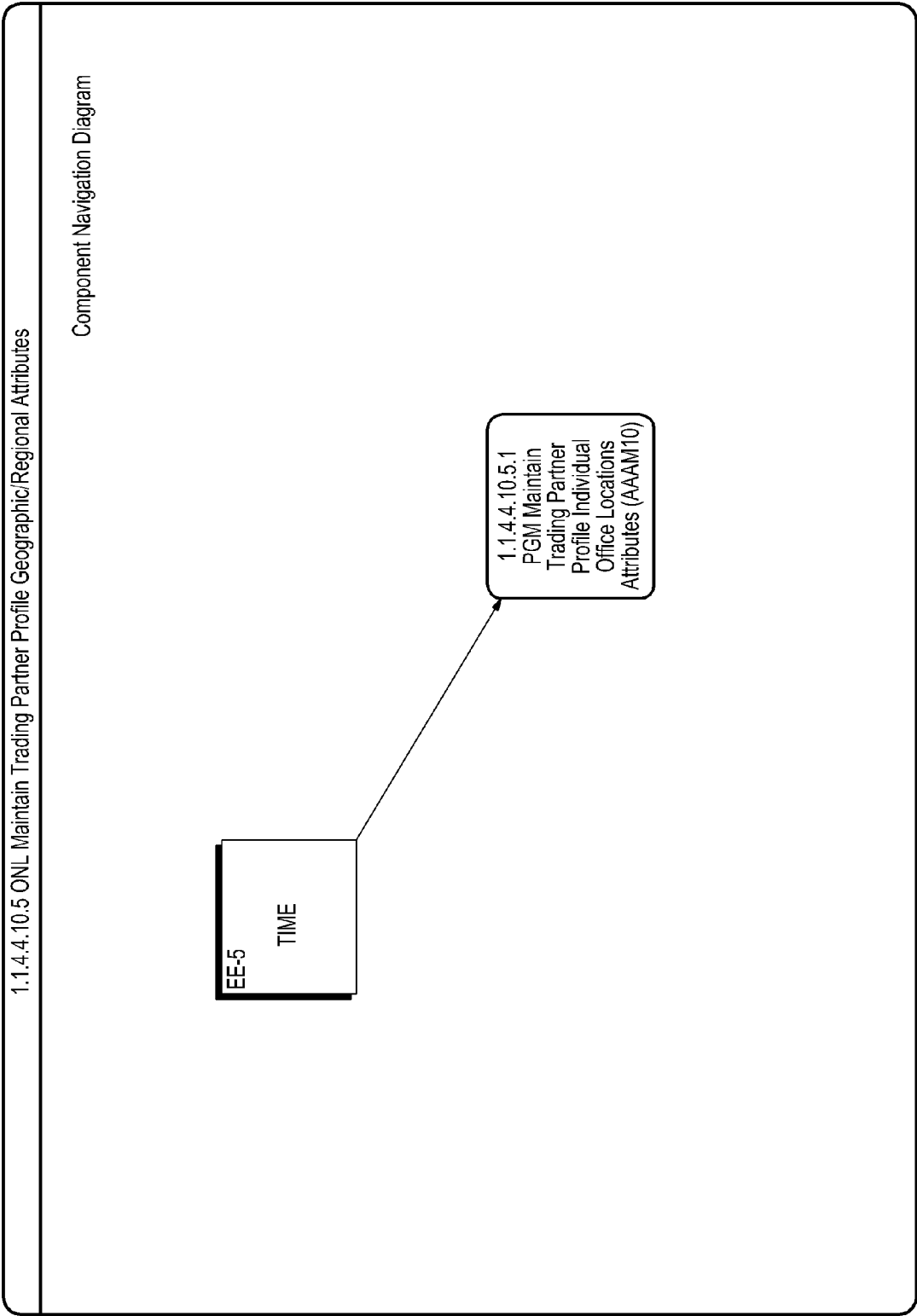


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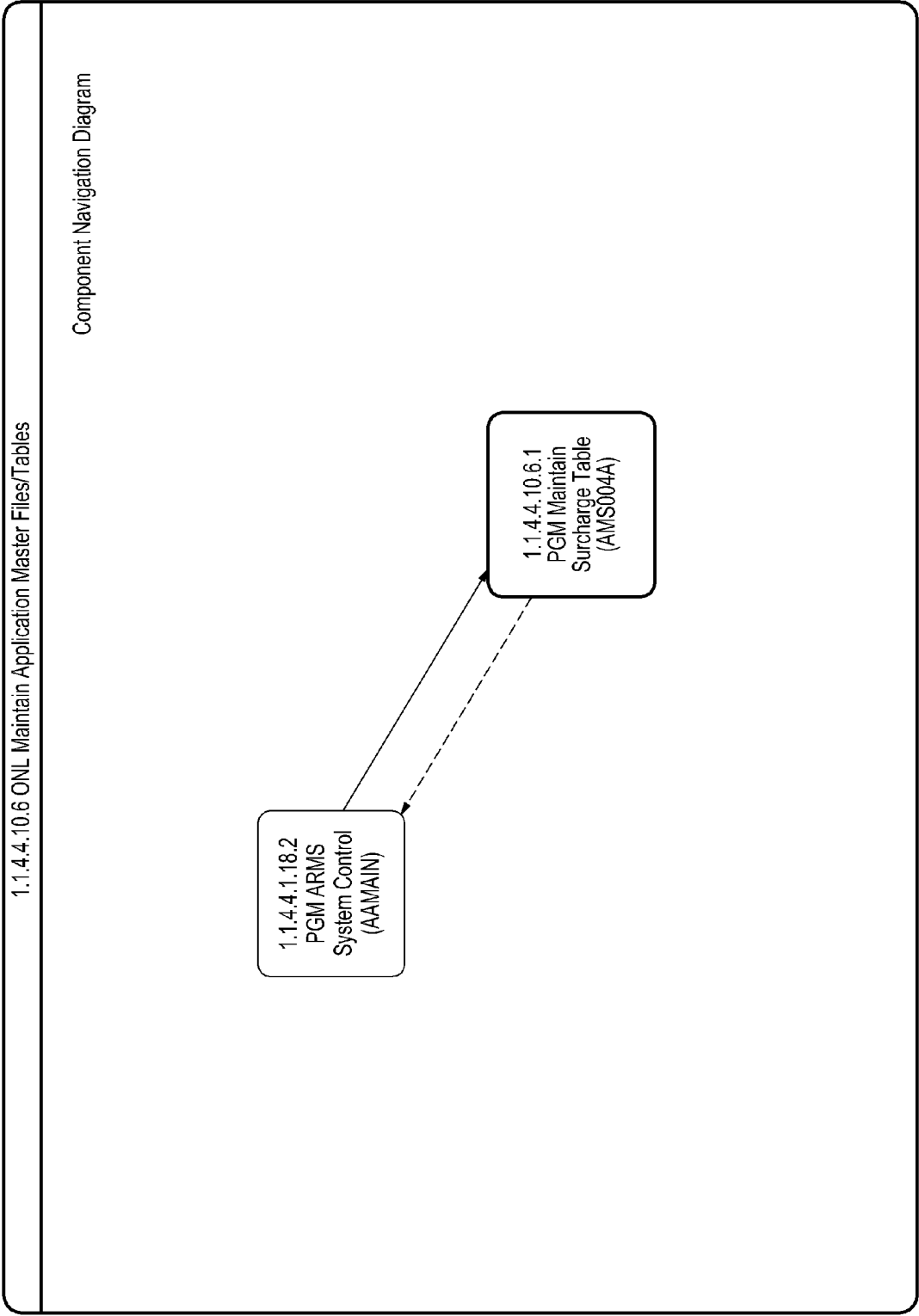


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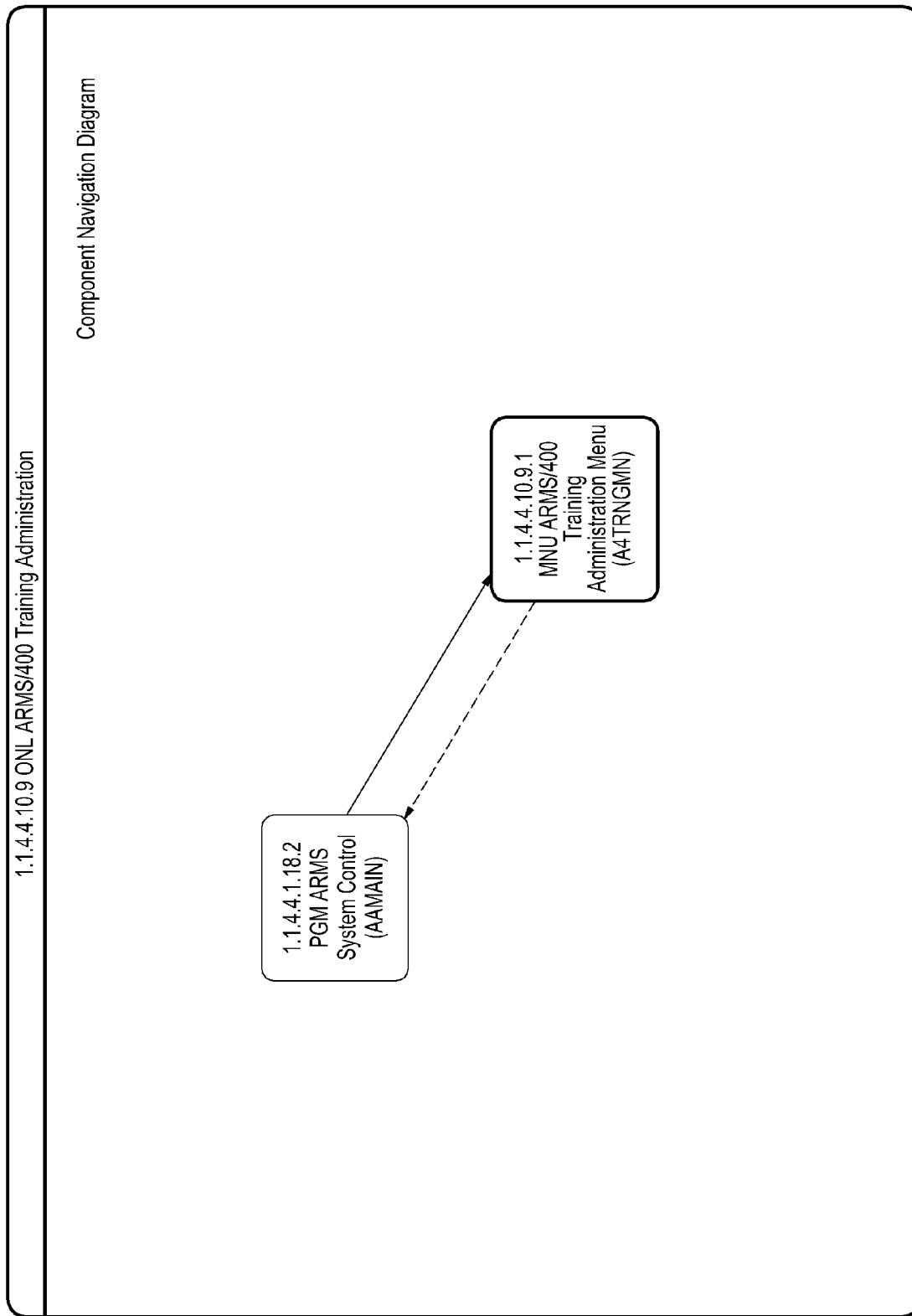


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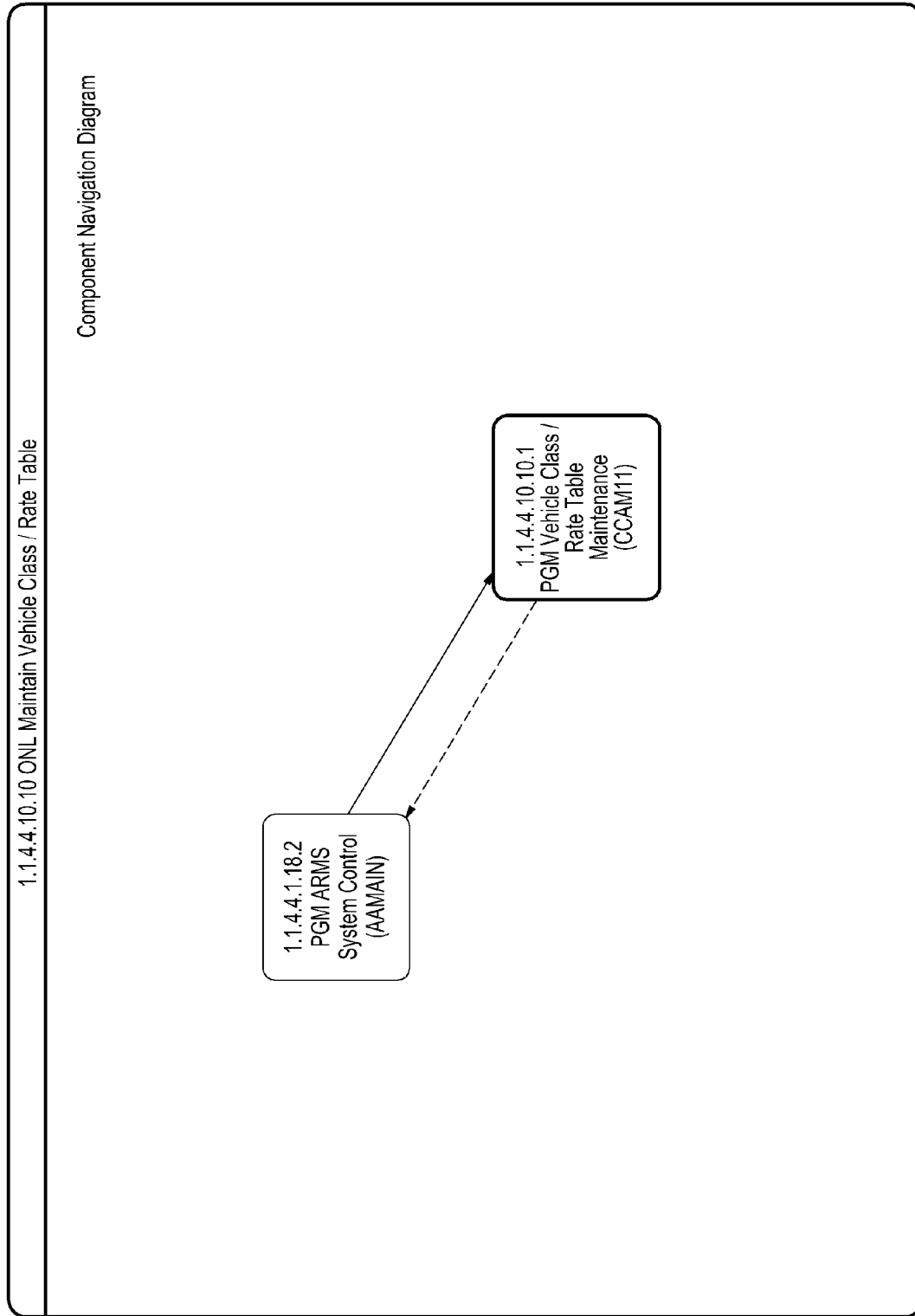


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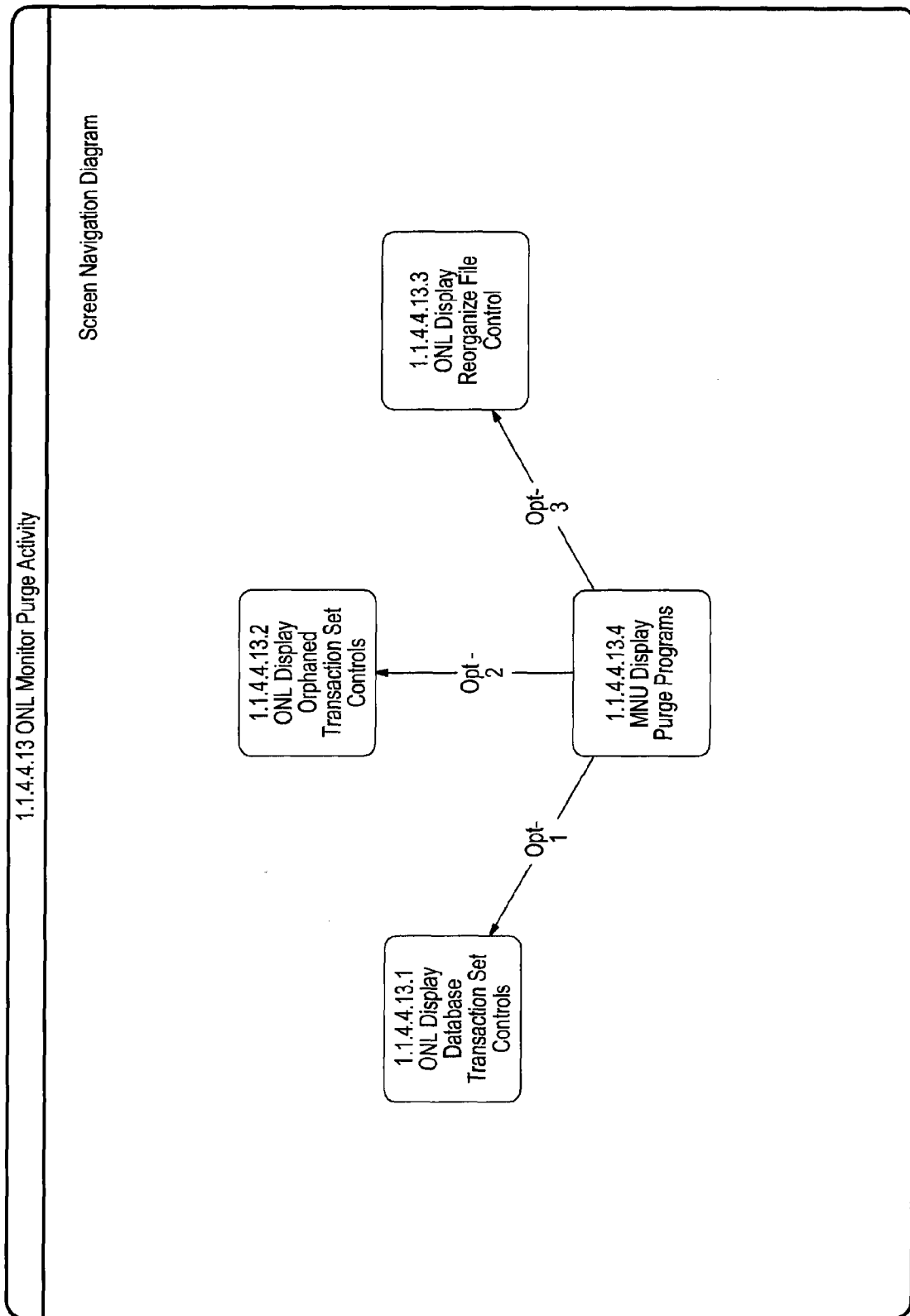
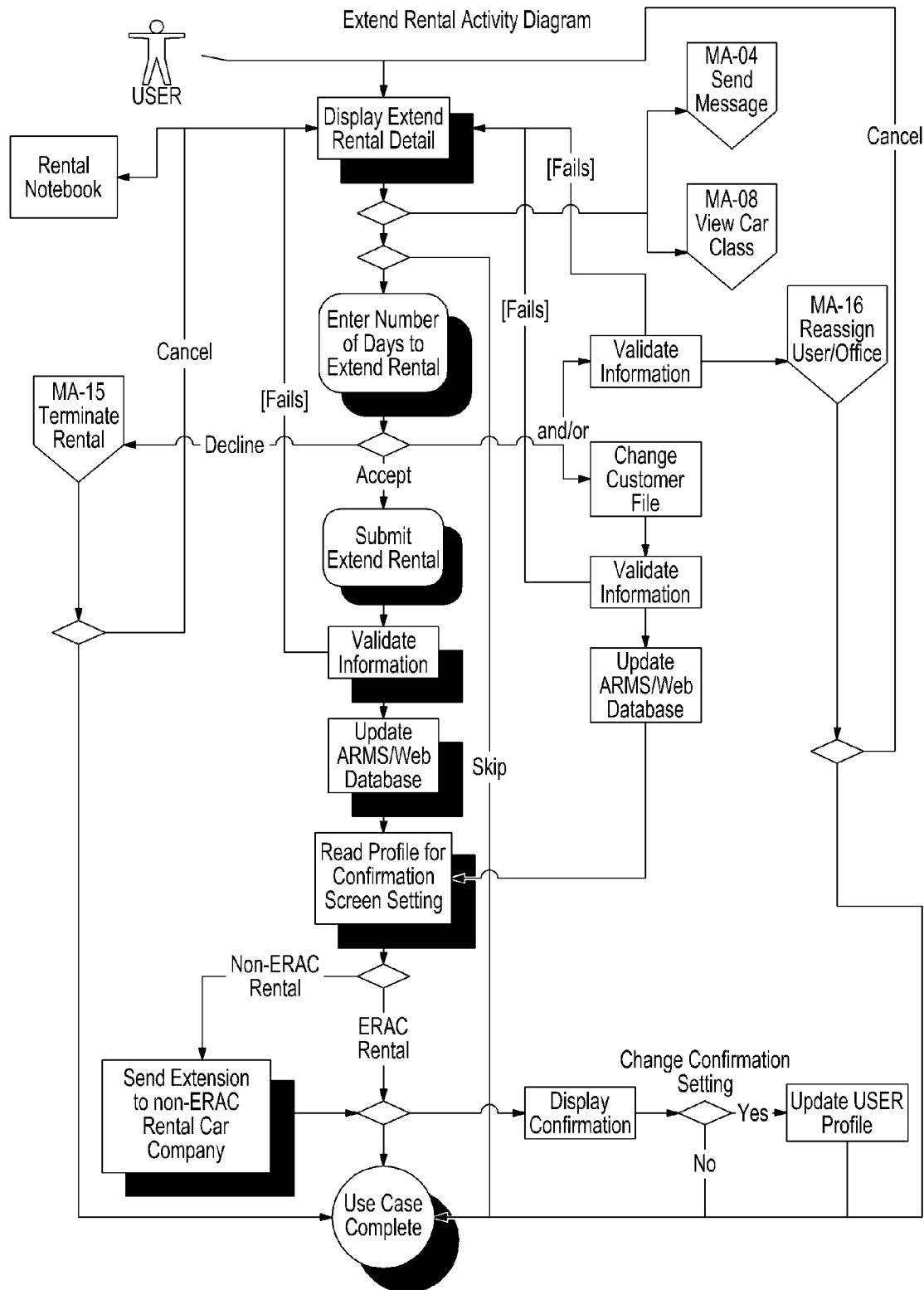



FIG 91



ARMS/Web 2.0

		Welcome to the Automated Rental Management System	
create a RESERVATION	find a CUSTOMER	action items	completed actions
		reports	my profile
		help	
Claims office: 001		Handling for: Self	TRANSFER FILE
You just authorized 3 day at \$29.39/day for Hanks, Tom			
EXTEND RENTAL: for Bowie, David Claim no. 765849322-001			
CUSTOMER FILE		2 of 4 Action Items	
Extension requested for:		Note to Enterprise:	
<input type="text" value="3"/> additional authorized days @ <input type="text" value="Compact/21.95"/> <input type="button" value="VIEW CARS"/>		<input type="text"/> <input type="button" value="↑"/> <input type="button" value="↓"/>	
Policy Limits <input type="text" value="20/500"/>		Note to Self Only:	
		<input type="text"/> <input type="button" value="↑"/> <input type="button" value="↓"/>	
Rental Status* Last Authorized Date: 5/15/00 Rental Start Date: 4/13/00 Days Authorized to Date: 5 days Policy Limits: \$259.00 Charges to Date: \$239.00 Direct Bill %: 100%			
Messages: 5/01/00 Body Shop said waiting for fender from vendor 4/14/00 Body Shop on quote			
Go to Notebook			
		<input type="button" value="LAST DAY"/> <input type="button" value="PROCESS"/> <input type="button" value="SKIP >>"/>	

[Change or Add]

RENTER INFORMATION

Bowie, David
1735 N. Paulina St.
Chicago, IL 60622

Home: (773)564-6054
Work: (773)395-6200
Email: dbowie@zefer.com
Requested email confirmation

RENTAL INFORMATION

Authorized Class: Standard
Days/Rate: 5 days @ \$21.99/day
Current Class: Full-Size
Additional Charges: None
Direct Bill %: None
Rental Date: 03/28/2000
Start Date: 03/20/2000

Enterprise Rent-A-Car Location:

Enterprise Edgewater Branch
5400 N. Ashland
Chicago, IL 60622
773-334-5400

ADDITIONAL CLAIM INFORMATION


Claim Number: 323232323232323
Claim Type: Theft
Insured Name: Lalumandier, Craig
Owner's vehicle: GMC Suburban 1999
Date of Loss: 03/28/2000
Loss Type: Non-Driveable
Policy: Daily rate/
Maximum dollars: 30/600

Repair Location:

Elco Chevrolet
Chicago, IL 60621
(773)334-9832

NOTEBOOK:


Message, Belanger, Hugues, 2/20/00
Note from Enterprise, Sarussi, Marty, 2/21/00
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Extension, 2/25/00

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FIG. 93(a)

(Insurance User)

		Welcome to the Automated Rental Management System	
create a RESERVATION	find a CUSTOMER	action items	completed actions
		reports	my profile
		help	
Claims office: 001		Handling for: Yourself	TRANSFER FILE
You just authorized 3 day at \$29.39/day for Hanks, Tom EXTEND RENTAL: for Bowie, David Claim no. 765849322-001 CUSTOMER FILE			
2 of 4 Action Items			
Extension requested for: <input type="checkbox"/> additional authorized days @ <input type="text" value="Compact/21.95"/> VIEW CARS Policy Limits <input type="text" value="20/500"/>		Note to Rental Company: <input type="text"/>	
Messages: 08/31/00 BSS 2 more days + Waiting on Parts: 08/30/00 Waiting on fender: 08/29/00 Extension requested through 08/30/00: 3 days extension requested: Go to Notebook		Note to Self: <input type="text"/>	
Current Rental Status* Rental Start Date: 5/15/00 Last Authorized Date: 04/13/00 Authorized to Date: 5 days Charges to Date: \$239.00 Direct Bill %: 100%		Rental Location: Enterprise Edgewater Branch 773-334-5400 Repair Facility: Elco Chevrolet (773)-334-9832 Owner Vehicle: 1999 GMC Suburban Vehicle Condition: Non-Driveable <input type="checkbox"/> Extend this rental?	
*Does not include taxes and surcharges		LAST DAY PROCESS SKIP >>	

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Work: (773)395-6200
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Requested email confirmation

RENTAL INFORMATION:

Authorized Class: Standard
Days/Rate: 5 days @ \$21.99/day
Current Class: Full-Size
Additional Charges: None
Direct Bill %: None
Rental Date: 03/28/2000
Start Date: 03/20/2000

Rental Location:

Enterprise Edgewater Branch
5400 N. Ashland
Chicago, IL 60622
773-334-5400

ADDITIONAL CLAIM INFORMATION:

Claim Number: 323232323232323
Claim Type: Theft
Insured Name: Lalumandier, Craig
Owner's vehicle: GMC Suburban 1999
Date of Loss: 03/28/2000
Loss Type: Non-Driveable
Policy: Daily rate/
Maximum dollars: 30/600

Repair Location:

Elco Chevrolet
Chicago, IL 60621
(773)334-9832

NOTEBOOK:

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Extension, 2/25/00



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FIG. 93(b)

(Fleet User)

		Welcome to the Automated Rental Management System			
create a RESERVATION	find a CUSTOMER	action items	completed actions	reports	my profile
		help			
Claims office: 001		Handling for: Yourself		TRANSFER FILE	
You just authorized 3 day at \$29.39/day for Hanks, Tom					
EXTEND RENTAL: for Bowie, David Claim no. 765849322-001					
CUSTOMER FILE				2 of 4 Action Items	
Extension requested for:			Note to Rental Company:		
<input type="checkbox"/> additional authorized days @	Compact/21.95	VIEW CARS	<input type="text"/>		
Policy Limits	20/500		<input type="text"/>		
Messages: 08/31/00 BSS 2 more days + Waiting on Parts: 08/30/00 Waiting on fender: 08/29/00 Extension requested through 08/30/00: 3 days extension requested: Go to Notebook			Rental Location: Enterprise Edgewater Branch 773-334-5400 Repair Facility: Elco Chevrolet (773)-334-9832 Owner Vehicle: 1999 GMC Suburban		
Current Rental Status* Rental Start Date: 5/15/00 Last Authorized Date: 04/13/00 Authorized to Date: 5 days Charges to Date: \$239.00			<input type="checkbox"/> Extend this rental?		
*Does not include taxes and surcharges			LAST DAY PROCESS SKIP >>		

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 Extension Request, 2/24/00
 Extension, 2/25/00

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FIG. 93(c)

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		Welcome to the Automated Rental Management System				
create a RESERVATION	find a CUSTOMER	action items	completed actions	reports	my profile	help
		Claims office: 001	Handling for: Yourself	TRANSFER FILE		
You just authorized 3 day at \$29.39/day for Hanks, Tom						
EXTEND RENTAL: for Bowie, David Claim no. 765849322-001						
CUSTOMER FILE 2 of 4 Action Items						
Extension requested for:						
<input type="checkbox"/> additional authorized days @ Compact/21.95 VIEW CARS						
Policy Limits 20/500						
Messages:						
08/31/00 BSS 2 more days + Waiting on Parts:						
08/30/00 Waiting on fender:						
08/29/00 Extension requested through 08/30/00:						
3 days extension requested:						
Go to Notebook						
Current Rental Status*						
Rental Start Date: 5/15/00						
Last Authorized Date: 04/13/00						
Authorized to Date: 5 days						
Charges to Date: \$239.00						
Note to Rental Company:						
<input type="text"/>						
Note to Self:						
<input type="text"/>						
Rental Location:						
Enterprise Edgewater Branch						
773-334-5400						
Repair Facility:						
Elco Chevrolet						
(773)-334-9832						
Owner Vehicle: 1999 GMC Suburban						
<input type="checkbox"/> Extend this rental?						
LAST DAY PROCESS SKIP >>						

[\[Change or Add\]](#)**RENTER INFORMATION:**

Bowie, David
1735 N. Paulina St.
Chicago, IL 60622

Home: (773)564-6054
Work: (773)395-6200
Email: dbowie@zefer.com
Requested email confirmation

RENTAL INFORMATION:

Authorized Class: Standard
Days/Rate: 5 days @ \$21.99/day
Current Class: Full-Size
Additional Charges: None
Rental Date: 03/28/2000
Start Date: 03/20/2000

Rental Location:
Enterprise Edgewater Branch
5400 N. Ashland
Chicago, IL 60622
773-334-5400

ADDITIONAL CLAIM INFORMATION:

Claim Number: 323232323232323
Claim Type: Theft
Insured Name: Lalumandier, Craig
Owner's vehicle: GMC Suburban 1999
Date of Loss: 03/28/2000
Loss Type: Non-Driveable
Policy: Daily rate/
Maximum dollars: 30/600

Repair Location:

Elco Chevrolet
Chicago, IL 60621
(773)334-9832


NOTEBOOK:

Message, Belanger, Hugues, 2/20/00
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FIG. 93(d)

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		Welcome to the Automated Rental Management System	
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		reports	my profile
		help	
Claims office: 001		Handling for: Yourself	
		TRANSFER FILE	
You just authorized 3 day at \$29.39/day for Hanks, Tom			
EXTEND RENTAL: for Bowie, David Claim no. 765849322-001			
CUSTOMER FILE		2 of 4 Action Items	
Extension requested for:		Note to Rental Company:	
<input type="checkbox"/> additional authorized days @	Compact/21.95	<input type="text"/>	
Policy Limits	20/500	<input type="text"/>	
VIEW CARS		Note to Self:	
Messages:		<input type="text"/>	
08/31/00 BSS 2 more days + Waiting on Parts:		<input type="text"/>	
08/30/00 Waiting on fender:		<input type="text"/>	
08/29/00 Extension requested through 08/30/00:		<input type="text"/>	
3 days extension requested:		Rental Location:	
Go to Notebook		Enterprise Edgewater Branch	
Current Rental Status*		773-334-5400	
Rental Start Date:	5/15/00	<input type="checkbox"/> Extend this rental?	
Last Authorized Date:	04/13/00		
Authorized to Date:	5 days		
Charges to Date:	\$239.00		
*Does not include taxes and surcharges		LAST DAY	
		PROCESS	
		SKIP >>	

[\[Change or Add\]](#)**RENTER INFORMATION:**

Bowie, David
1735 N. Paulina St.
Chicago, IL 60622

Home: (773)564-6054
Work: (773)395-6200
Email: dbowie@zefer.com
Requested email confirmation

RENTAL INFORMATION:

Authorized Class: Standard
Days/Rate: 5 days @ \$21.99/day
Current Class: Full-Size
Additional Charges: None
Rental Date: 03/28/2000
Start Date: 03/20/2000

Rental Location:


Enterprise Edgewater Branch
5400 N. Ashland
Chicago, IL 60622
773-334-5400

ADDITIONAL CLAIM INFORMATION:

Corporate Class Number: 3232323232323
Loss Type: Non-Driveable
Policy: Daily rate/
Maximum dollars: 30/600

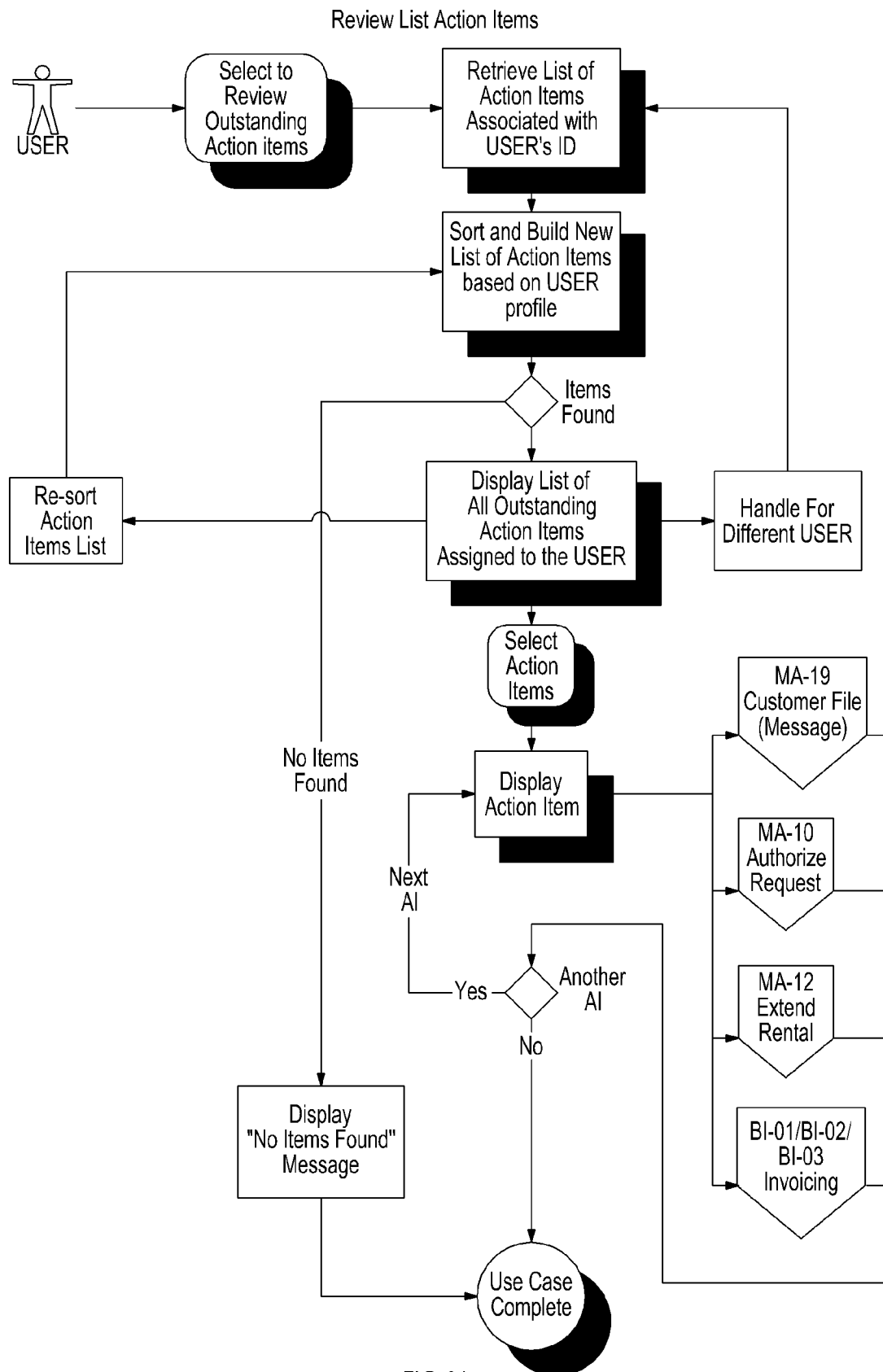
NOTEBOOK:

Message, Belanger, Hugues, 2/20/00
Note from Enterprise, Sarussi, Marty, 2/21/00
Extension Request, 2/24/00
Extension, 2/25/00

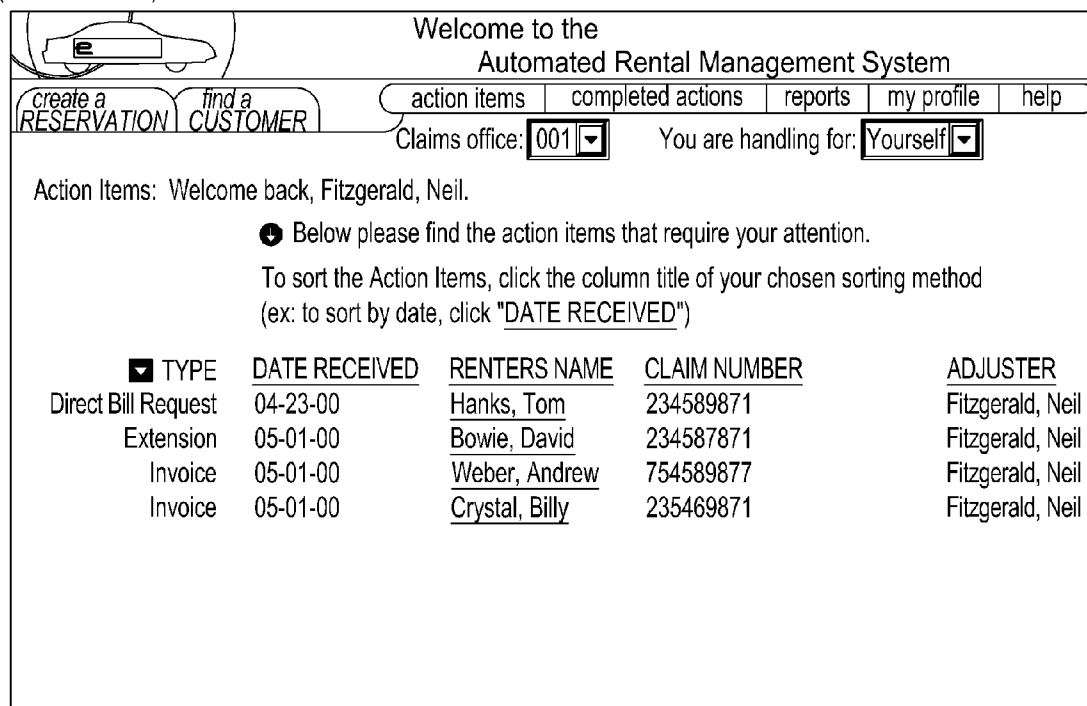
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FIG. 93(e)



(ARMS/Web 2.0)



Welcome to the
Automated Rental Management System

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Claims office: You are handling for:

Action Items: Welcome back, Fitzgerald, Neil.

Below please find the action items that require your attention.


To sort the Action Items, click the column title of your chosen sorting method
(ex: to sort by date, click "DATE RECEIVED")

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TYPE	<u>DATE RECEIVED</u>	<u>RENTERS NAME</u>	<u>CLAIM NUMBER</u>	<u>ADJUSTER</u>
Direct Bill Request	04-23-00	Hanks, Tom	234589871	Fitzgerald, Neil
Extension	05-01-00	Bowie, David	234587871	Fitzgerald, Neil
Invoice	05-01-00	Weber, Andrew	754589877	Fitzgerald, Neil
Invoice	05-01-00	Crystal, Billy	235469871	Fitzgerald, Neil

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FIG. 95(a)

(Insurance User)



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Claims office: 001 Handling for: Yourself

Action Items: Welcome back, Fitzgerald, Neil.

Below please find the action items that require your attention.

To sort the Action Items, click the column title of your chosen sorting method
(ex: to sort by date, click "DATE RECEIVED")

	▼ TYPE	DATE RECEIVED	RENTERS NAME	CLAIM NUMBER	RENTAL COMPANY	ADJUSTER
⌵	Direct Bill Request	04-23-00	Hanks, Tom	234589871	Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
☐	Extension	05-01-00	Bowie, David	234587871	HLE Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
	Message	05-01-00	Simpson, Homer	754589877	Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
	Invoice	05-01-00	Weber, Andrew	754589877	Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
	Returned Invoice	05-01-00	Crystal, Billy	235469071	Rent-A-Wreck	Fitzgerald, Neil
	Payment List	06-15-00	(5) Invoices		Car Temps	Fitzgerald, Neil
	Unassigned Items	06-15-00	(7) Action Items		Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Unassigned

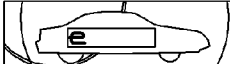
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FIG. 95(b)

(Fleet User)



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RESERVATION

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Claims office: 001
Handling for: Yourself

Action Items: Welcome back, Fitzgerald, Neil.

Below please find the action items that require your attention.

To sort the Action Items, click the column title of your chosen sorting method
(ex: to sort by date, click "DATE RECEIVED")

	TYPE	DATE RECEIVED	RENTERS NAME	CLAIM NUMBER	RENTAL COMPANY	ADJUSTER
⏪	Direct Bill Request	04-23-00	Hanks, Tom	234589871	Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
☐ 1	Extension	05-01-00	Bowie, David	234587871	HLE Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
	Message	05-01-00	Simpson, Homer	754589877	Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
	Invoice	05-01-00	Weber, Andrew	754589877	Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
	Returned Invoice	05-01-00	Crystal, Billy	235469071	Rent-A-Wreck	Fitzgerald, Neil
	Payment List	06-15-00	(5) Invoices		Car Temps	Fitzgerald, Neil
	Unassigned Items	06-15-00	(7) Action Items		Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Unassigned


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FIG. 95(c)

(Dealership User)



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Automated Rental Management System

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Claims office: 001
Handling for: Yourself

Action Items: Welcome back, Fitzgerald, Neil.

⬇ Below please find the action items that require your attention.

To sort the Action Items, click the column title of your chosen sorting method
(ex: to sort by date, click "DATE RECEIVED")

▼ TYPE	DATE RECEIVED	RENTERS NAME	CLAIM NUMBER	RENTAL COMPANY	ADJUSTER
⌵ Direct Bill Request	04-23-00	Hanks, Tom	234589871	Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
1 Extension	05-01-00	Bowie, David	234587871	HLE Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
Message	05-01-00	Simpson, Homer	754589877	Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
Invoice	05-01-00	Weber, Andrew	754589877	Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
Returned Invoice	05-01-00	Crystal, Billy	235469071	Rent-A-Wreck	Fitzgerald, Neil
Payment List	06-15-00	(5) Invoices		Car Temps	Fitzgerald, Neil
Unassigned Items	06-15-00	(7) Action Items		Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Unassigned


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FIG. 95(d)

(Corporate User)



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my profile

help

Claims office: 001

Handling for: Yourself

Action Items: Welcome back, Fitzgerald, Neil.

Below please find the action items that require your attention.

To sort the Action Items, click the column title of your chosen sorting method
(ex: to sort by date, click "DATE RECEIVED")

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TYPE	DATE RECEIVED	RENTERS NAME	CLAIM NUMBER	RENTAL COMPANY	ADJUSTER
<input type="checkbox"/>	Direct Bill Request	04-23-00	Hanks, Tom	234589871	Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension	05-01-00	Bowie, David	234587871	HLE Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
	Message	05-01-00	Simpson, Homer	754589877	Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
	Invoice	05-01-00	Weber, Andrew	754589877	Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
	Returned Invoice	05-01-00	Crystal, Billy	235469071	Rent-A-Wreck	Fitzgerald, Neil
	Payment List	06-15-00	(5) Invoices		Car Temps	Fitzgerald, Neil
	Unassigned Items	06-15-00	(7) Action Items		Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Unassigned

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Assign An Action Item Diagram

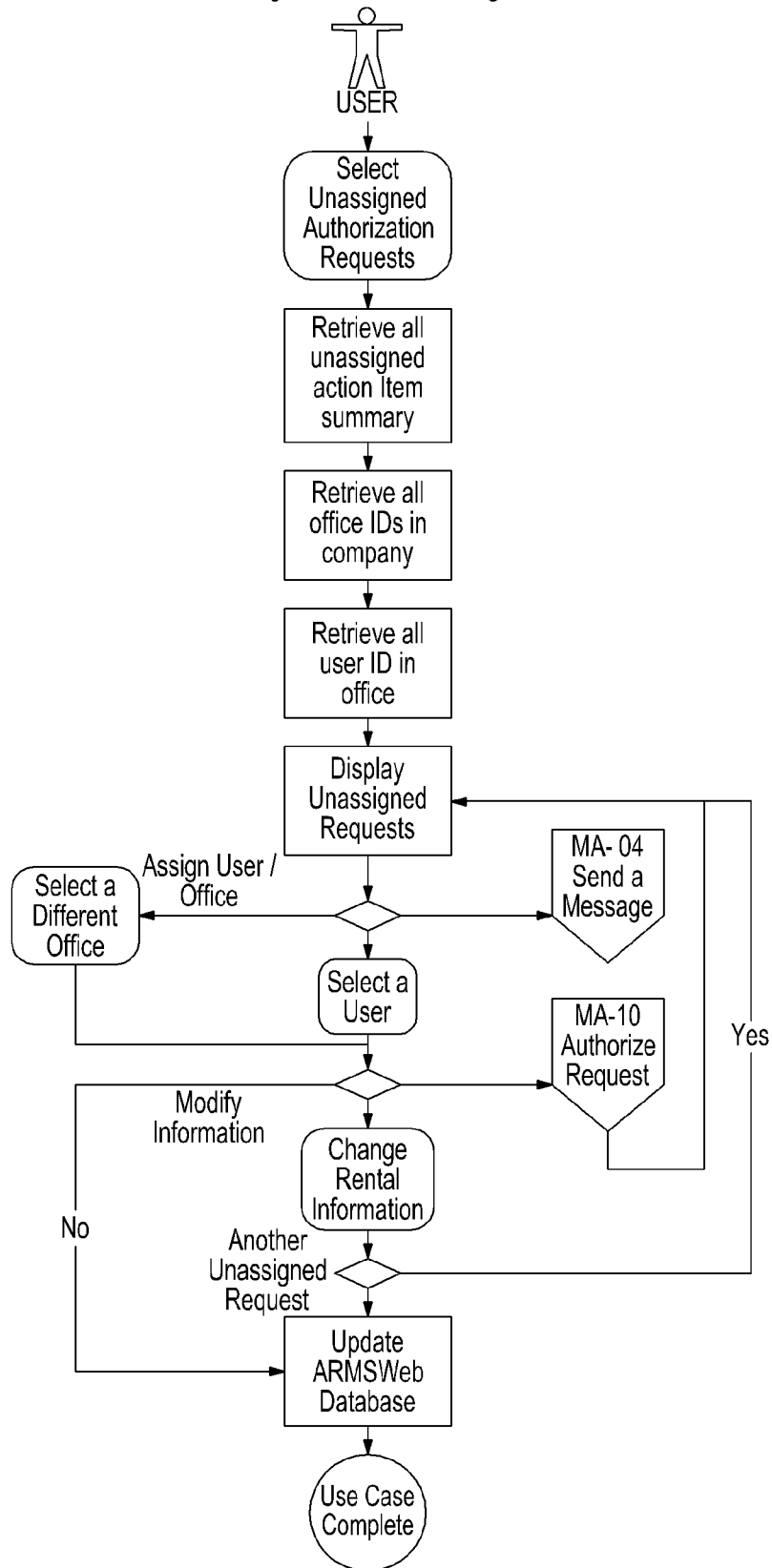




FIG. 96

		Welcome to the Automated Rental Management System						
create a RESERVATION		find a CUSTOMER		action items	completed actions	reports	my profile	help
		Claims office: 001		Handling for: Yourself				
You just approved an invoice for Crystal, Billy Total Amount \$536.13								
Action Items: UNASSIGNED								
Weber, Andrew 28445 Main Ave Chicago, IL 60622 555-555-1212		DIRECT BILL REQUEST						
		Claim Number: 754589877			① Assign to Office 001			
		Vehicle Condition: Select a Loss Type			② Assign Adjuster Unassigned -or-			
		Claim Type: Select a Claim Type			③ Cancel this item			
		Date of Loss: January 1 2000						
		Note to Enterprise:						
Smith, Joe 28445 Main Ave Chicago, IL 60622 555-555-1212		DIRECT BILL REQUEST						
		Claim Number: 754589877			① Assign to Office 001			
		Vehicle Condition: Select a Loss Type			② Assign Adjuster Unassigned -or-			
		Claim Type: Select a Claim Type			③ Cancel this item			
		Date of Loss: January 1 2000						
		Note to Enterprise:						

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FIG. 97(a)


(Insurance User)

		Welcome to the Automated Rental Management System				
create a RESERVATION	find a CUSTOMER	action items	completed actions	reports	my profile	help
		Claims office: 001		Handling for: Yourself		
You just approved an invoice for Crystal, Billy Total Amount \$536.13						
Action Items: UNASSIGNED						
Weber, Andrew 28445 Main Ave Chicago, IL 60622 555-555-1212		DIRECT BILL REQUEST Claim Number: 754589877 Vehicle Condition: Select a Loss Type Claim Type: Select a Claim Type Date of Loss: January 1 2000 Note to Rental Company:		① Assign to Office 001 ② Assign Adjuster -or- Unassigned ③ Cancel this item		
Rental Location: Enterprise Edgewater Branch 5400 N. Ashland Chicago, IL 60622 773-334-5400						
Smith, Joe 28445 Main Ave Chicago, IL 60622 555-555-1212		DIRECT BILL REQUEST Claim Number: 754589877 Vehicle Condition: Select a Loss Type Claim Type: Select a Claim Type Date of Loss: January 1 2000 Note to Rental Company:		① Assign to Office 001 ② Assign Adjuster -or- Unassigned ③ Cancel this item		
Rental Location: Enterprise Edgewater Branch 5400 N. Ashland Chicago, IL 60622 773-334-5400						

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FIG. 97(b)


(Insurance Fleet)

		Welcome to the Automated Rental Management System				
create a RESERVATION	find a CUSTOMER	action items	completed actions	reports	my profile	help
		Claims office: 001		Handling for: Yourself		
You just approved an invoice for Crystal, Billy Total Amount \$536.13						
Action Items: UNASSIGNED						
Weber, Andrew 28445 Main Ave Chicago, IL 60622 555-555-1212		DIRECT BILL REQUEST		① Assign to Office <input type="text" value="001"/>		
Rental Location: Enterprise Edgewater Branch 5400 N. Ashland Chicago, IL 60622 773-334-5400		Claim Number: <input type="text" value="754589877"/>		② Assign Administrator <input type="text" value="Unassigned"/>		
		Protection Coverage: <input type="text"/>		-or-		
		Claim Type: <input type="text" value="Select a Claim Type"/>		③ Cancel this item		
		Date of Loss: <input type="text" value="January"/> <input type="text" value="1"/> <input type="text" value="2000"/>				
		Note to Rental Company: <input type="text"/>				
Smith, Joe 28445 Main Ave Chicago, IL 60622 555-555-1212		DIRECT BILL REQUEST		① Assign to Office <input type="text" value="001"/>		
Rental Location: Enterprise Edgewater Branch 5400 N. Ashland Chicago, IL 60622 773-334-5400		Claim Number: <input type="text" value="754589877"/>		② Assign Administrator <input type="text" value="Unassigned"/>		
		Protection Coverage: <input type="text"/>		-or-		
		Claim Type: <input type="text" value="Select a Claim Type"/>		③ Cancel this item		
		Date of Loss: <input type="text" value="January"/> <input type="text" value="1"/> <input type="text" value="2000"/>				
		Note to Rental Company: <input type="text"/>				

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FIG. 97(c)


(Dealership User)

		Welcome to the Automated Rental Management System				
create a RESERVATION	find a CUSTOMER	action items	completed actions	reports	my profile	help
		Claims office: 001		Handling for: Yourself		
You just approved an invoice for Crystal, Billy Total Amount \$536.13						
Action Items: UNASSIGNED						
Weber, Andrew 28445 Main Ave Chicago, IL 60622 555-555-1212		DIRECT BILL REQUEST		① Assign to Office <input type="text" value="001"/>		
Rental Location: Enterprise Edgewater Branch 5400 N. Ashland Chicago, IL 60622 773-334-5400		Purchase Order No: <input type="text" value="754589877"/>		② Assign Administrator <input type="text" value="Unassigned"/>		
		Bill Type: <input type="text"/>		-or-		
		Date of Loss: <input type="text" value="January"/> <input type="text" value="1"/> <input type="text" value="2000"/>		③ Cancel this item		
Note to Rental Company: <input type="text"/>						
Smith, Joe 28445 Main Ave Chicago, IL 60622 555-555-1212		DIRECT BILL REQUEST		① Assign to Office <input type="text" value="001"/>		
Rental Location: Enterprise Edgewater Branch 5400 N. Ashland Chicago, IL 60622 773-334-5400		Purchase Order No: <input type="text" value="754589877"/>		② Assign Administrator <input type="text" value="Unassigned"/>		
		Bill Type: <input type="text"/>		-or-		
		Date of Loss: <input type="text" value="January"/> <input type="text" value="1"/> <input type="text" value="2000"/>		③ Cancel this item		
Note to Rental Company: <input type="text"/>						

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FIG. 97(d)

(Corporate User)

		Welcome to the Automated Rental Management System				
create a RESERVATION	find a CUSTOMER	action items	completed actions	reports	my profile	help
		Claims office: 001		Handling for: Yourself		
You just approved an invoice for Crystal, Billy Total Amount \$536.13						
Action Items: UNASSIGNED						
Weber, Andrew 28445 Main Ave Chicago, IL 60622 555-555-1212		DIRECT BILL REQUEST Corporate Class No: 754589877 Note to Rental Company:		① Assign to Office 001 ② Assign Administrator Unassigned -or- ③ Cancel this item		
Rental Location: Enterprise Edgewater Branch 5400 N. Ashland Chicago, IL 60622 773-334-5400						
Smith, Joe 28445 Main Ave Chicago, IL 60622 555-555-1212		DIRECT BILL REQUEST Corporate Class No: 754589877 Note to Rental Company:		① Assign to Office 001 ② Assign Administrator Unassigned -or- ③ Cancel this item		
Rental Location: Enterprise Edgewater Branch 5400 N. Ashland Chicago, IL 60622 773-334-5400						

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FIG. 97(e)

View Car Class Activity Diagram

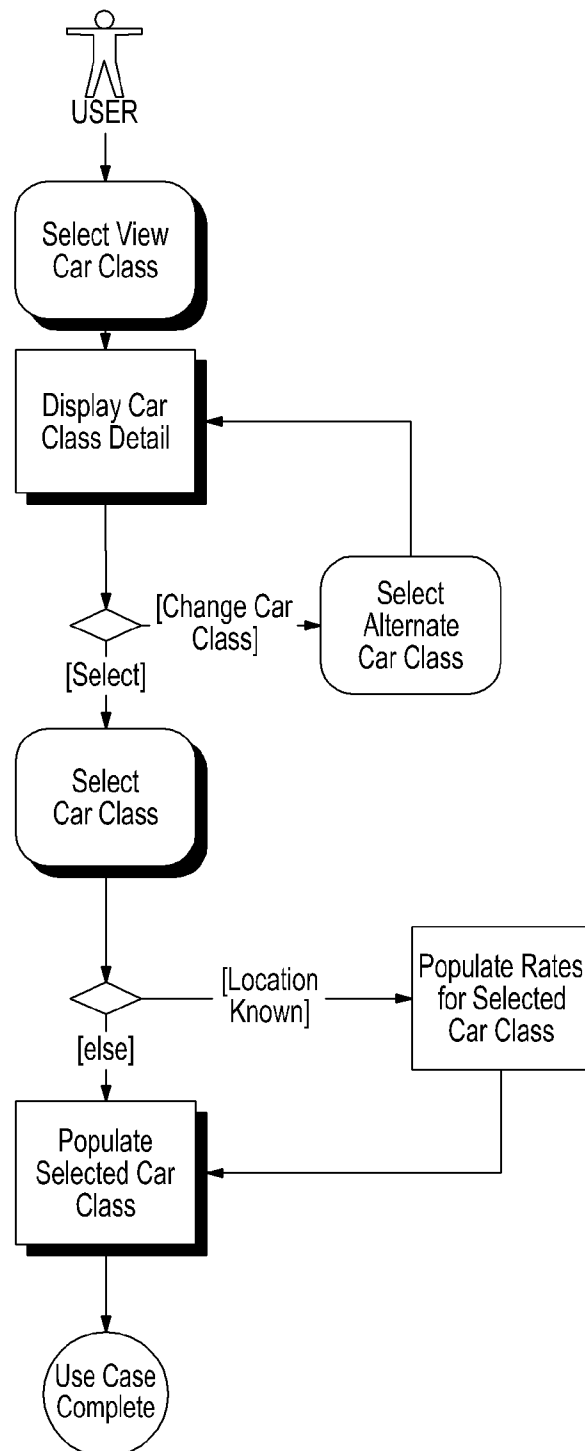


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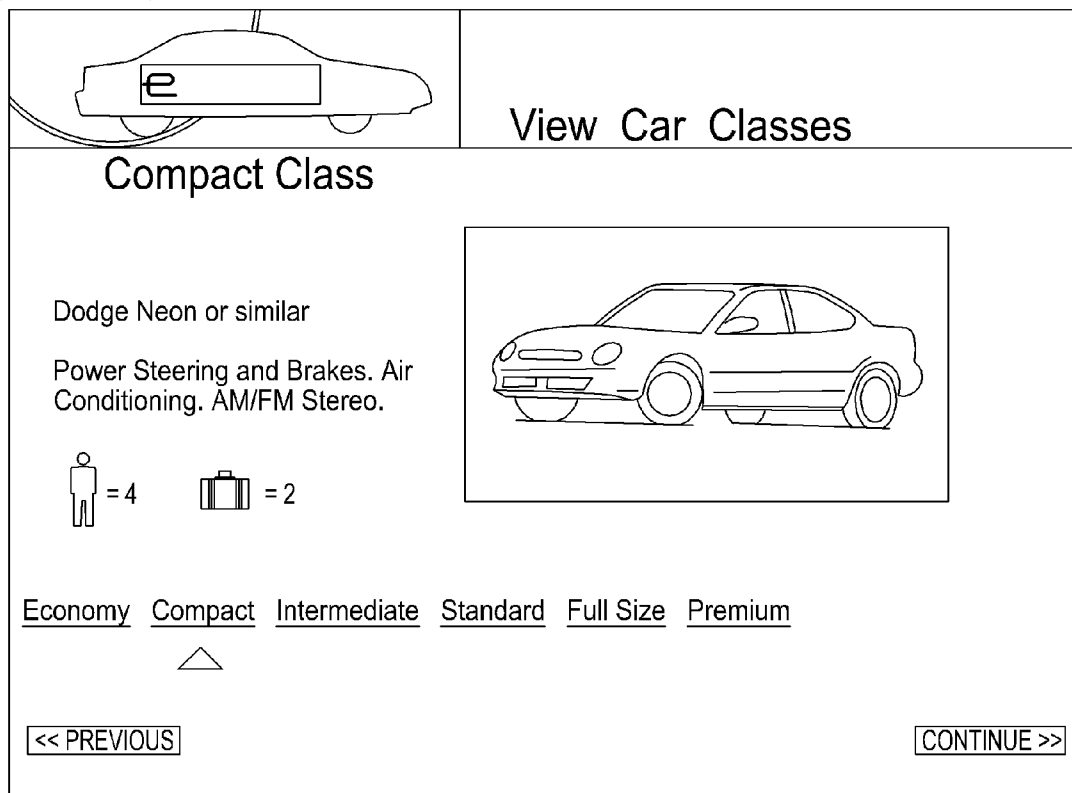


FIG. 99(a)

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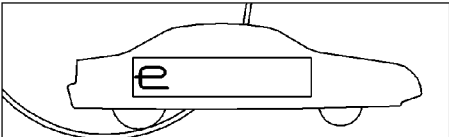


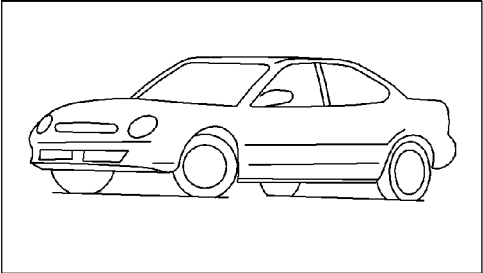
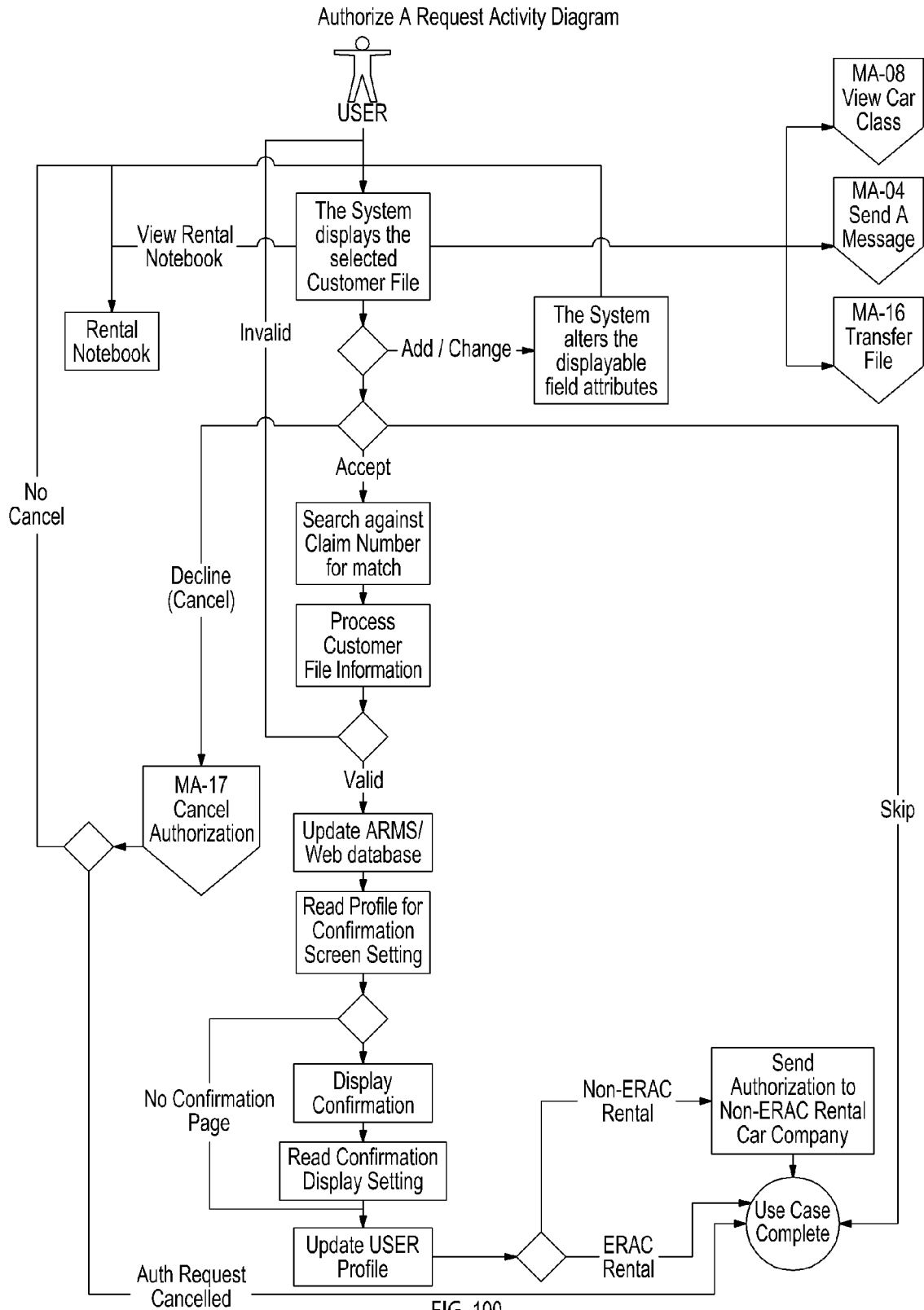
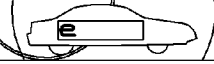
	<h2>View Car Classes</h2>
<div data-bbox="376 846 647 892"><h3>Compact Class</h3></div> <div data-bbox="327 989 687 1199"><p>Dodge Neon or similar</p><p>Power Steering and Brakes. Air Conditioning. AM/FM Stereo.</p><p> = 4  = 2</p></div> <div data-bbox="738 888 1224 1194"><p>Enterprise Rent-A-Car</p></div> <div data-bbox="294 1285 1063 1318"><p><u>Economy</u> <u>Compact</u> <u>Intermediate</u> <u>Standard</u> <u>Full Size</u> <u>Premium</u></p><p>▲</p></div> <div data-bbox="302 1413 454 1444"><p><< PREVIOUS</p></div> <div data-bbox="1191 1413 1339 1444"><p>CONTINUE >></p></div>	

FIG. 99(b)



(ARMS/Web 2.0)

		Welcome to the Automated Rental Management System				
create a RESERVATION	find a CUSTOMER	action items	completed actions	reports	my profile	help
Claims office: 001		You are handling for: Yourself		TRANSFER FILE		
Authorize Direct Bill: for Hanks, Tom		Claim no. 765849322-001		CUSTOMER FILE		
		1 of 4 Action Items				
Direct Bill Requested for:				Note to Enterprise:		
<input type="text"/> days @ Compact/21.95				<input type="text"/>		
Policy: Daily rate/				Note to Self Only:		
Maximum dollars 20/500				<input type="text"/>		
Claim Number: 765849322-001						
Claim Type: Select a Claim Type						
Loss Type: Select a Loss Type						
mm dd yy						
Date of Loss: <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>						
mm dd yy						
Date Rental Needed: <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>						
Insured Name: Last <input type="text"/> First <input type="text"/>						
Message: Direct Bill request for Hanks: Tom 4/23/00						
Go to Notebook						
		CANCEL		PROCESS		SKIP >>

[\[Change or Add\]](#)**RENTER INFORMATION:**

Hanks, Tom
1735 N. Paulina St.
Chicago, IL 60622

Home: (773)564-6054
Work: (773)395-6200
Email: thanks@zefer.com
Requested email confirmation

RENTAL INFORMATION:

Enterprise Rent-A-Car Location:
Enterprise Edgewater Branch
5400 N. Ashland
Chicago, IL 60622
773-334-5400

ADDITIONAL CLAIM INFORMATION:

Insured Name: Lalumandier, Craig
Owner's vehicle: GMC Suburban 1999
Date of Loss: 03/28/2000
Type of Loss: Non-Driveable

Repair Facility:

Elco Chevrolet
22 Elston Dr.
Chicago, IL 60621
(773)334-9832


NOTEBOOK:

Direct Bill request for Hanks, Tom 4/23/00

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FIG. 101(a)

(Insurance User)

		Welcome to the Automated Rental Management System				
create a RESERVATION	find a CUSTOMER	action items	completed actions	reports	my profile	help
Claims office: 001		Handling for: Yourself		TRANSFER FILE		
Authorize Direct Bill: for Hanks, Tom Claim no. 765849322-001						1 of 4 Action Items
CUSTOMER FILE						
Direct Bill Requested for: Claim Number: 765849322-001 Claim Type: Select a Claim Type						
<input type="text"/> days @ Compact/21.95		VIEW CARS		Note to Rental Company:		
Policy: Daily rate/ Maximum dollars 20/500						
Direct Bill%: 100						
Vehicle Condition: Select a Condition						
Date of Loss: January 1 2000						
Date Rental Needed: January 1 2000						
Insured Name: Last		First				
Message: Direct Bill request for Hanks, Tom 4/23/00						
Go to Notebook						CANCEL PROCESS SKIP >>

[Change or Add]

RENTER INFORMATION:

Hanks, Tom
1735 N. Paulina St.
Chicago, IL 60622

Home: (773)564-6054
Work: (773)395-6200
Email: thanks@zefer.com
Requested email confirmation

RENTAL INFORMATION:

Rental Location:
Enterprise Edgewater Branch
5400 N. Ashland
Chicago, IL 60622
773-334-5400


NOTEBOOK:

Direct Bill request for Hanks, Tom 4/23/00

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FIG. 101(b)

(Fleet User)

		Welcome to the Automated Rental Management System				
create a RESERVATION	find a CUSTOMER	action items	completed actions	reports	my profile	help
Claims office: 001		Handling for: Yourself		TRANSFER FILE		
Authorize Direct Bill: for Hanks, Tom Claim no. 765849322-001						1 of 4 Action Items
CUSTOMER FILE						
Direct Bill Requested for: Claim Number: 765849322-001		Claim Type: Select a Claim Type				
<input type="checkbox"/> days @	Compact/21.95	VIEW CARS				
Policy: Daily rate/ Maximum dollars		20/500				
Protection Coverage:						
Date of Loss:		January 1 2000				
Date Rental Needed:		January 1 2000				
Insured Name: Last		First				
Message: Direct Bill request for Hanks, Tom 4/23/00						
Go to Notebook		CANCEL PROCESS SKIP >>				

[\[Change or Add\]](#)

RENTER INFORMATION:

Hanks, Tom
1735 N. Paulina St.
Chicago, IL 60622

Home: (773)564-6054
Work: (773)395-6200
Email: thanks@zefer.com
Requested email confirmation

RENTAL INFORMATION:

Rental Location:
Enterprise Edgewater Branch
5400 N. Ashland
Chicago, IL 60622
773-334-5400


NOTEBOOK:

Direct Bill request for Hanks, Tom 4/23/00

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FIG. 101(c)

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		Welcome to the Automated Rental Management System				
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Office: 001		Handling for: Yourself		TRANSFER FILE		
Authorize Direct Bill: for Hanks, Tom		Purchase Order No. 765849322-001		1 of 4 Action Items		
CUSTOMER FILE						
Direct Bill Requested for: Purchase Order No:		<input type="text" value="765849322-001"/>		Bill Type: <input type="text"/>		
<input type="text"/>	days @ <input type="text" value="Compact/21.95"/>	VIEW CARS		Note to Rental Company: <input type="text"/>		
Date of Loss: <input type="text" value="January"/> <input type="text" value="1"/> <input type="text" value="2000"/>						
Date Rental Needed: <input type="text" value="January"/> <input type="text" value="1"/> <input type="text" value="2000"/>						
Insured Name: Last		<input type="text"/>		First <input type="text"/>		
Message: Direct Bill request for Hanks, Tom 4/23/00						
Go to Notebook		<input type="button" value="CANCEL"/> <input type="button" value="PROCESS"/> <input type="button" value="SKIP >>"/>				

[\[Change or Add\]](#)

RENTER INFORMATION:

Hanks, Tom
1735 N. Paulina St.
Chicago, IL 60622

Home: (773)564-6054
Work: (773)395-6200
Email: thanks@zefer.com
Requested email confirmation

RENTAL INFORMATION:

Rental Location:
Enterprise Edgewater Branch
5400 N. Ashland
Chicago, IL 60622
773-334-5400


NOTEBOOK:

Direct Bill request for Hanks, Tom 4/23/00

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FIG. 101(d)

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		Automated Rental Management System				
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Office: 001		Handling for: Yourself		TRANSFER FILE		
Authorize Direct Bill: for Hanks, Tom		Corporate Class No. 765849322-001		1 of 4 Action Items		
CUSTOMER FILE						
Direct Bill Requested for: Corporate Class No: <input type="text" value="765849322-001"/>						
<input type="text"/>	days @	<input type="text" value="Compact/21.95"/>	VIEW CARS	Note to Rental Company:		
				<input type="text"/>		
Date Rental Needed: <input type="text" value="January"/> <input type="text" value="1"/> <input type="text" value="2000"/> <input type="text"/>						
Message: Direct Bill request for Hanks, Tom 4/23/00						
Go to Notebook				CANCEL PROCESS SKIP >>		

[\[Change or Add\]](#)**RENTER INFORMATION:**

Hanks, Tom
1735 N. Paulina St.
Chicago, IL 60622

Home: (773)564-6054
Work: (773)395-6200
Email: thanks@zefer.com
Requested email confirmation

RENTAL INFORMATION:

Rental Location:
Enterprise Edgewater Branch
5400 N. Ashland
Chicago, IL 60622
773-334-5400

NOTEBOOK:

Direct Bill request for Hanks, Tom 4/23/00

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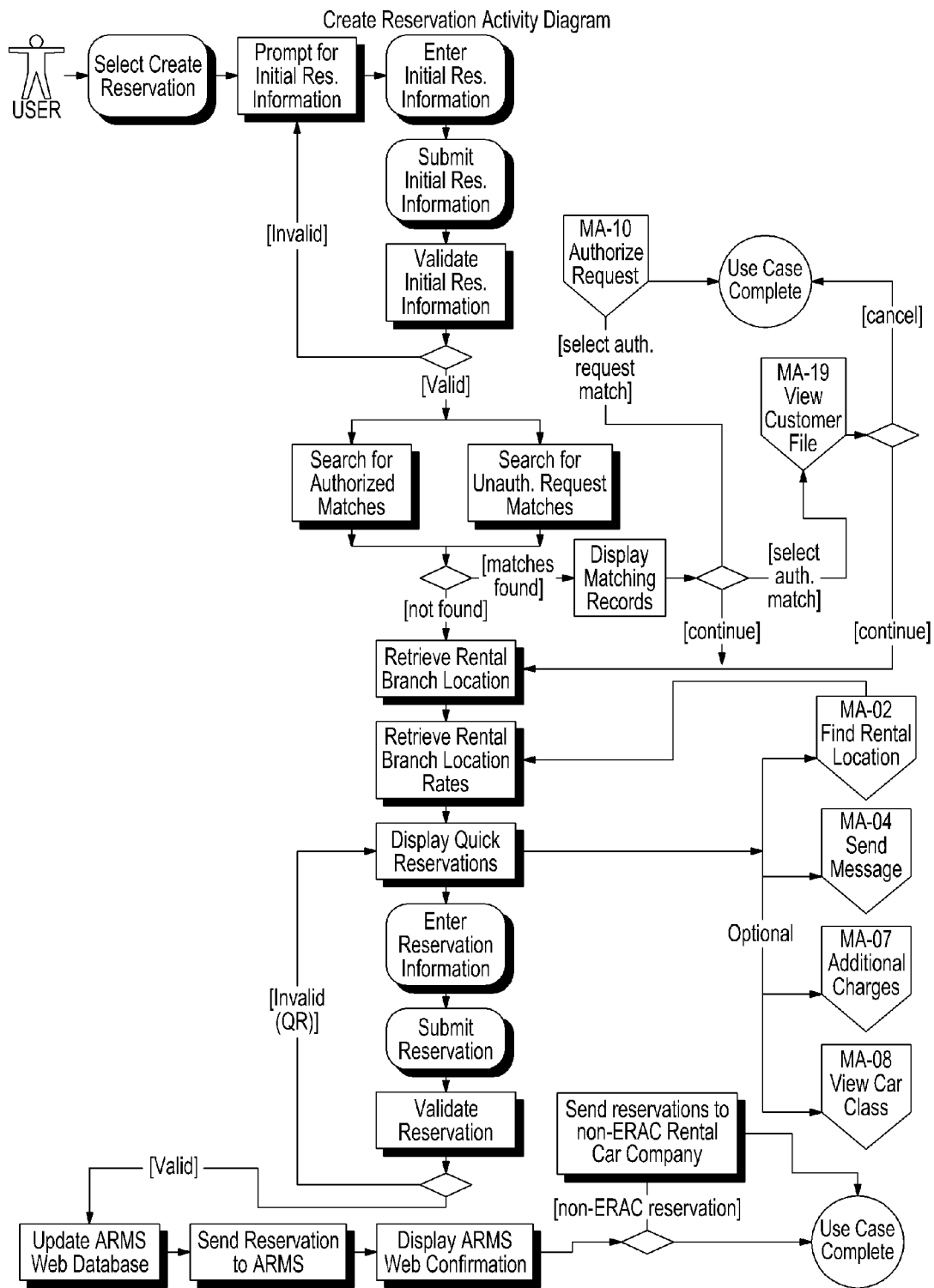


FIG. 102

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Initial Reservation

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Claims office: Handling for:

Welcome back, Fitzgerald, Neil.

Below please find the action items that require your attention.

To sort the Action Items, click the column title of your chosen sorting method
(ex: to sort by date, click "DATE RECEIVED")

<u>DATE RECEIVED</u>	<u>RENTERS NAME</u>	<u>CLAIM NUMBER</u>	<u>ADJUSTER</u>
04-23-00	Hanks, Tom	234589871	Fitzgerald, Neil
05-01-00	Bowie, David	234587871	Fitzgerald, Neil
05-01-00	Simpson, Homer	754589877	Fitzgerald, Neil
05-01-00	Weber, Andrew	754589877	Fitzgerald, Neil
05-01-00	Crystal, Billy	235469071	Fitzgerald, Neil
06-15-00	(5) Invoices		Fitzgerald, Neil
06-15-00	(7) Action Items		Unassigned

last name
 first name
claim number:

claim type:
please choose
please post code
where car is needed:


☐ Phone
☐ Post Code

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FIG. 103(a)

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Claims office: Handling for:

Welcome back, Fitzgerald, Neil.

➔ Below please find the action items that require your attention.

To sort the Action Items, click the column title of your chosen sorting method
(ex: to sort by date, click "DATE RECEIVED")

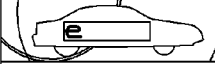
<u>DATE RECEIVED</u>	<u>RENTERS NAME</u>	<u>CLAIM NUMBER</u>	<u>RENTAL COMPANY</u>	<u>ADJUSTER</u>
04-23-00	Hanks, Tom	234589871	Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
05-01-00	Bowie, David	234587871	HLE Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
05-01-00	Simpson, Homer	754589877	Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
05-01-00	Weber, Andrew	754589877	Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
05-01-00	Crystal, Billy	235469071	Rent-A-Wreck	Fitzgerald, Neil
06-15-00	(5) Invoices		Car Temps	Fitzgerald, Neil
06-15-00	(7) Action Items		Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Unassigned

last name
first name
claim number:
claim type:
rental company:
please post code where car is needed:
☐ Phone
☐ Post Code

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FIG. 103(b)

(Fleet User)



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Claims office: Handling for:

Welcome back, Fitzgerald, Neil.

➔ Below please find the action items that require your attention.

To sort the Action Items, click the column title of your chosen sorting method
(ex: to sort by date, click "DATE RECEIVED")

<u>DATE RECEIVED</u>	<u>RENTERS NAME</u>	<u>CLAIM NUMBER</u>	<u>RENTAL COMPANY</u>	<u>ADMINISTRATOR</u>
04-23-00	Hanks, Tom	234589871	Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
05-01-00	Bowie, David	234587871	HLE Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
05-01-00	Simpson, Homer	754589877	Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
05-01-00	Weber, Andrew	754589877	Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
05-01-00	Crystal, Billy	235469071	Rent-A-Wreck	Fitzgerald, Neil
06-15-00	<u>(5) Invoices</u>		Car Temps	Fitzgerald, Neil
06-15-00	<u>(7) Action Items</u>		Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Unassigned

create a
RESERVATION

find a
CUSTOMER

last name

first name

claim number:

claim type:

rental company:

please post code
where car is needed:


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FIG. 103(c)

(Dealership User)



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Claims office: 001 Handling for: Yourself

last name
first name
purchase order number:
bill type:
rental company:
please post code
where car is needed:
☐ Phone
☐ Post Code
NEW RESERVATION


Welcome back, Fitzgerald, Neil.
Below please find the action items that require your attention.
To sort the Action Items, click the column title of your chosen sorting method
(ex: to sort by date, click "DATE RECEIVED")

		PURCHASE		
<u>DATE RECEIVED</u>	<u>RENTERS NAME</u>	<u>ORDER NUMBER</u>	<u>RENTAL COMPANY</u>	<u>ADMINISTRATOR</u>
04-23-00	Hanks, Tom	234589871	Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
05-01-00	Bowie, David	234587871	HLE Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
05-01-00	Simpson, Homer	754589877	Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
05-01-00	Weber, Andrew	754589877	Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
05-01-00	Crystal, Billy	235469071	Rent-A-Wreck	Fitzgerald, Neil
06-15-00	(5) Invoices		Car Temps	Fitzgerald, Neil
06-15-00	(7) Action Items		Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Unassigned

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FIG. 103(d)

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Claims office: 001 Handling for: Yourself

last name

first name

corporate class number:

rental company:
please choose

please post code
where car is needed:

☐ Phone
☐ Post Code

NEW RESERVATION

Welcome back, Fitzgerald, Neil.

Below please find the action items that require your attention.


To sort the Action Items, click the column title of your chosen sorting method
(ex: to sort by date, click "DATE RECEIVED")

	DATE RECEIVED	RENTERS NAME	CORPORATE CLASS NUMBER	RENTAL COMPANY	ADMINISTRATOR
	04-23-00	Hanks, Tom	234589871	Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
	05-01-00	Bowie, David	234587871	HLE Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
	05-01-00	Simpson, Homer	754589877	Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
	05-01-00	Weber, Andrew	754589877	Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Fitzgerald, Neil
	05-01-00	Crystal, Billy	235469071	Rent-A-Wreck	Fitzgerald, Neil
	06-15-00	(5) Invoices		Car Temps	Fitzgerald, Neil
	06-15-00	(7) Action Items		Enterprise Rent-A-Car	Unassigned

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FIG. 103(e)

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Claims office: 001 Handling for: Self

Please verify the reservation you want to create does not exist.
If it exists, you can click the link to view the file or process it.

Matches Found: You requested a reservation for: Hanks, Tom
Claim Number: 765849322 Claim Type: Claimant

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Claim No.	Customer Name	Status	Date Rental Needed	Invoice Amount
765849322-001	Hanks, Tom	Closed	4/23/2000	\$200.95
765849322-002	Jones, Bill	Open (customer in car)	4/18/2000	\$256.98

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UNAUTHORIZED

Claim No.	Customer Name	Status	Date Rental Needed
765849322-001	Hanks, Tom	Direct Bill Request	4/23/2000
888234213	Jones, Bob	Open (customer in car)	4/18/2000
888254321	Hanks, Sophia	Open (customer in car)	4/16/2000

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FIG. 104(a)

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Claims office: 001 Handling for: Yourself

Please verify the reservation you want to create does not exist.
If it exists, you can click the link to view the file or process it.

Matches Found: You requested a reservation for: Hanks, Tom
Claim Number: 765849322 Claim Type: Claimant

NEW RESERVATION

AUTHORIZED


Claim No.	Customer Name	Status	Date Rental Needed	Invoice Amount	Rental Company
765849322-001	Hanks, Tom	Closed	4/23/2000	\$200.95	Enterprise Rent-A-Car
765849322-002	Jones, Bill	Open (customer in car)	4/18/2000	\$256.98	HLE Rent-A-Car

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UNAUTHORIZED

Claim No.	Customer Name	Status	Date Rental Needed	Rental Company
765849322-001	Hanks, Tom	Direct Bill Request	4/23/2000	Enterprise Rent-A-Car
888234213	Jones, Bob	Open (customer in car)	4/18/2000	HLE Rent-A-Car
888254321	Hanks, Sophia	Open (customer in car)	4/16/2000	Car Temps

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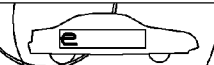
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FIG. 104(b)

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Claims office: 001 Handling for: Yourself

Please verify the reservation you want to create does not exist.
If it exists, you can click the link to view the file or process it.

Matches Found: You requested a reservation for: Hanks, Tom
Claim Number: 765849322 Claim Type: Claimant

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AUTHORIZED

Claim No.	Customer Name	Status	Date Rental Needed	Invoice Amount	Rental Company
765849322-001	Hanks, Tom	Closed	4/23/2000	\$200.95	Enterprise Rent-A-Car
765849322-002	Jones, Bill	Open (customer in car)	4/18/2000	\$256.98	HLE Rent-A-Car

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UNAUTHORIZED

Claim No.	Customer Name	Status	Date Rental Needed	Rental Company
765849322-001	Hanks, Tom	Direct Bill Request	4/23/2000	Enterprise Rent-A-Car
888234213	Jones, Bob	Open (customer in car)	4/18/2000	HLE Rent-A-Car
888254321	Hanks, Sophia	Open (customer in car)	4/16/2000	Car Temps

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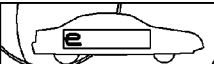
		Welcome to the Automated Rental Management System				
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		Claims office: 001		Handling for: Yourself		
Please verify the reservation you want to create does not exist. If it exists, you can click the link to view the file or process it.						
Matches Found: You requested a reservation for: Hanks, Tom						
Purchase Order Number: 765849322				Bill Type: Claimant	NEW RESERVATION	
AUTHORIZED						
Purchase Order No.	Customer Name	Status	Date Rental Needed	Invoice Amount	Rental Company	
765849322-001	Hanks, Tom	Closed	4/23/2000	\$200.95	Enterprise Rent-A-Car	
765849322-002	Jones, Bill	Open (customer in car)	4/18/2000	\$256.98	HLE Rent-A-Car	
25 items in the list				Matches 1-25 of 325		View next 25>>
UNAUTHORIZED						
Purchase Order No.	Customer Name	Status	Date Rental Needed	Rental Company		
765849322-001	Hanks, Tom	Direct Bill Request	4/23/2000	Enterprise Rent-A-Car		
888234213	Jones, Bob	Open (customer in car)	4/18/2000	HLE Rent-A-Car		
888254321	Hanks, Sophia	Open (customer in car)	4/16/2000	Car Temps		
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FIG. 104(d)

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Claims office: 001 Handling for: Yourself

Please verify the reservation you want to create does not exist.
If it exists, you can click the link to view the file or process it.

Matches Found: You requested a reservation for: Hanks, Tom
Corporate Class Number: 765849322

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Corporate Class No.	Customer Name	Status	Date Rental Needed	Invoice Amount	Rental Company
765849322-001	Hanks, Tom	Closed	4/23/2000	\$200.95	Enterprise Rent-A-Car
765849322-002	Jones, Bill	Open (customer in car)	4/18/2000	\$256.98	HLE Rent-A-Car

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Corporate Class No.	Customer Name	Status	Date Rental Needed	Rental Company
765849322-001	Hanks, Tom	Direct Bill Request	4/23/2000	Enterprise Rent-A-Car
888234213	Jones, Bob	Open (customer in car)	4/18/2000	HLE Rent-A-Car
888254321	Hanks, Sophia	Open (customer in car)	4/16/2000	Car Temps

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FIG. 104(e)

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Claims office: <input type="text" value="001"/> Handling for: <input type="text" value="Yourself"/>	
Create Reservation: QUICK FORM for Coppola, Francis Claim no. 754589877 GEICO	
*Denotes required field [view long form]	
RENTAL INFORMATION: * Authorized Days: <input type="text"/> @ <input type="text" value="Select a rate"/> VIEW CARS Policy: Daily rate/ Maximum dollars <input type="text" value="20/500"/> *Percent of Rental: <input type="text" value="100"/> % Vehicle Condition: <input type="text" value="Driveable"/>	NOTEBOOK Note to Enterprise: <input type="text"/> Note to Self Only: <input type="text"/> Location closet to: 773-395-6200 Enterprise Edgewater Branch 5400 N. Ashland Chicago, IL 60622 773-334-5400
RENTER INFORMATION: * Last: <input type="text"/> * First: <input type="text"/> Email: <input type="text"/> <input type="checkbox"/> send email confirmation: Phone Numbers: Ext. * <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text" value="Home"/> <input type="radio"/> Pick up location <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text" value="Home"/> <input type="radio"/> Pick up location Pick different location: <input type="text" value="Change to a Favorite Location"/> MORE LOCATIONS	
<input type="button" value="CANCEL"/> <input type="button" value="CONFIRM RESERVATION"/>	
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: * Claim Number: <input type="text"/> * Claim Type: <input type="text" value="Claimant"/> Date of Loss: <input type="text" value="January"/> <input type="text" value="1"/> <input type="text" value="2000"/> Insured Name: <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> Last First Additional Charges: None ADDITIONAL CHARGES	
Repair Facility: <input type="text"/> City: <input type="text"/> State/Province: <input type="text" value="AB"/> Post Code: <input type="text"/> Phone: <input type="text"/> Renter's Vehicle: <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> year make/model	
<input type="button" value="CANCEL"/> <input type="button" value="CONFIRM RESERVATION"/>	
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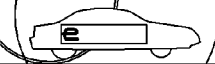
(Insurance User)

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Claims office: <input type="text" value="001"/>	
Handling for: <input type="text" value="Yourself"/>	
Create Reservation:	
QUICK FORM for Coppola, Francis Claim no. 754589877	
GEICO	
*Denotes required field	
RENTAL INFORMATION:	NOTEBOOK
* Authorized Days: <input type="text"/> @ <input type="text" value="Select a rate"/>	Note to Rental Company:
Policy: Daily rate/ Maximum dollars <input type="text" value="20/500"/>	<input type="text"/>
*Percent of Rental: <input type="text" value="100"/> %	Note to Self Only:
Vehicle Condition: <input type="text" value="Driveable"/>	<input type="text"/>
RENTER INFORMATION:	Location closet to: 773-395-6200
* Last: <input type="text"/>	Enterprise Edgewater Branch
* First: <input type="text"/>	5400 N. Ashland
Email: <input type="text"/>	Chicago, IL 60622
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> send email confirmation:	773-334-5400
Phone Numbers: Ext.	
* <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text" value="Home"/>	
<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text" value="Home"/>	
<input type="radio"/> Pick up location	
<input type="radio"/> Pick up location	
Pick different location:	
<input type="text" value="Change to a Favorite Location"/>	<input type="text" value="MORE LOCATIONS"/>
<input type="text" value="CANCEL"/>	<input type="text" value="CONFIRM RESERVATION"/>
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:	Repair Facility:
* Claim Number: <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
* Claim Type: <input type="text" value="Claimant"/>	City: <input type="text"/>
Date of Loss: <input type="text" value="January"/> <input type="text" value="1"/> <input type="text" value="2000"/>	State/Province: <input type="text" value="AB"/> Post Code: <input type="text"/>
Date Rental Needed: <input type="text" value="January"/> <input type="text" value="1"/> <input type="text" value="2000"/>	
Insured Name: <input type="text"/>	Phone: <input type="text"/>
Last First	
Additional Charges: None <input type="text" value="ADDITIONAL CHARGES"/>	Renter's Vehicle: <input type="text"/>
	year make/model
	Renter's Address: <input type="text"/>
	Renter's City: <input type="text"/>
	State/Province: <input type="text" value="AB"/>
	Post Code: <input type="text"/>
	<input type="radio"/> Pick up location
top of page	<input type="text" value="CANCEL"/> <input type="text" value="CONFIRM RESERVATION"/>

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FIG. 105(b)

(Fleet User)



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Claims office: Handling for:

Create Reservation:
QUICK FORM for Coppola, Francis Claim no. 754589877 GEICO

*Denotes required field

RENTAL INFORMATION:
* Authorized Days: @ [VIEW CARS](#)
Policy: Daily rate/
Maximum dollars
Protection
Coverage:

RENTER INFORMATION:
* Last: * First:
Email: ☐ send email confirmation:
Phone Numbers: Ext.
* ☐ Pick up location
 ☐ Pick up location
Pick different location:
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Note to Rental Company:

Location closet to: 773-395-6200
Enterprise Edgewater Branch
5400 N. Ashland
Chicago, IL 60622
773-334-5400

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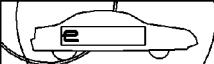
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:
* Claim Number:
* Claim Type:
Date of Loss:
Date Rental Needed:
Insured Name:
Last First
Additional Charges: None [ADDITIONAL CHARGES](#)

Repair Facility:
City:
State/Province: Post Code:
Phone:
Renter's Vehicle:
year make/model
Renter's Address:
Renter's City:
State/Province:
Post Code: ☐ Pick up location
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(Corporate User)



Welcome to the
Automated Rental Management System

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Claims office: Handling for:

Create Reservation:
QUICK FORM for Coppola, Francis Claim no. 754589877 GEICO

*Denotes required field

RENTAL INFORMATION:
* Authorized Days: @ [VIEW CARS](#)
Corporate Class Number:

Notebook:
Note to Rental Company:

Note to Self Only:

RENTER INFORMATION:
* Last: * First:
Email: ☐ send email confirmation:
Phone Numbers: Ext.
* ☐ Pick up location
 ☐ Pick up location
Pick different location:
 [MORE LOCATIONS](#)

Location closet to: 773-395-6200
Enterprise Edgewater Branch
5400 N. Ashland
Chicago, IL 60622
773-334-5400


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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:
Date Rental Needed:
Additional Charges: None [ADDITIONAL CHARGES](#)

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(ARMS Web 3.0)

		Welcome to the Automated Rental Management System				
create a RESERVATION	find a CUSTOMER	action items	completed actions	reports	my profile	help
		Claims office: 001		Handling for: Self		TRANSFER FILE
You just authorized 3 days at \$29.39/day for Hanks, Tom						
Confirmation: CUSTOMER FILE						
				<input type="checkbox"/> Don't show me this confirmation page again.		GO TO NEXT ACTION ITEM
This confirmation page can be removed... You can remove this page from your future transactions with ARMS.						
How it works... Simply check this "Don't show me this confirmation again" checkbox and click the "Next Action Item" button.						
What will happen next? When you complete an action item, the system will immediately show you the next action item on your list for you to process. The confirmation will continue to appear; it will provide information about your last transaction as well as the ability to make any changes to that transaction.						
Should you check the "Don't show me this confirmation page again" box, this page will never be shown to you again in the future.						

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FIG. 106(a)


(Insurance User)

		Welcome to the Automated Rental Management System				
create a RESERVATION	find a CUSTOMER	action items	completed actions	reports	my profile	help
		Claims office: 001		Handling for: Yourself		TRANSFER FILE
You just authorized 3 days at \$29.39/day for Hanks, Tom						
Confirmation: CUSTOMER FILE						
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Don't show me this confirmation page again. GO TO NEXT ACTION ITEM						
This confirmation page can be removed... You can remove this page from your future transactions with ARMS.						
How it works... Simply check this "Don't show me this confirmation again" checkbox and click the "Next Action Item" button.						
What will happen next? When you complete an action item, the system will immediately show you the next action item on your list for you to process. The confirmation will continue to appear, it will provide information about your last transaction as well as the ability to make any changes to that transaction.						
Should you check the "Don't show me this confirmation page again" box, this page will never be shown to you again in the future.						

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FIG. 106(b)

(Fleet/Dealership/Corporate User)

		Welcome to the Automated Rental Management System				
create a RESERVATION	find a CUSTOMER	action items	completed actions	reports	my profile	help
		Claims office: 001		Handling for: Yourself		TRANSFER FILE
You just authorized 3 days at \$29.39/day for Hanks, Tom						
Confirmation: CUSTOMER FILE						
		<input type="checkbox"/> Don't show me this confirmation page again.				GO TO NEXT ACTION ITEM
This confirmation page can be removed... You can remove this page from your future transactions with ARMS.						
How it works... Simply check this "Don't show me this confirmation again" checkbox and click the "Next Action Item" button.						
What will happen next? When you complete an action item, the system will immediately show you the next action item on your list for you to process. The confirmation will continue to appear, it will provide information about your last transaction as well as the ability to make any changes to that transaction.						
Should you check the "Don't show me this confirmation page again" box, this page will never be shown to you again in the future.						

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FIG. 106(c)

Find Rental Location Use Case Activity Diagram

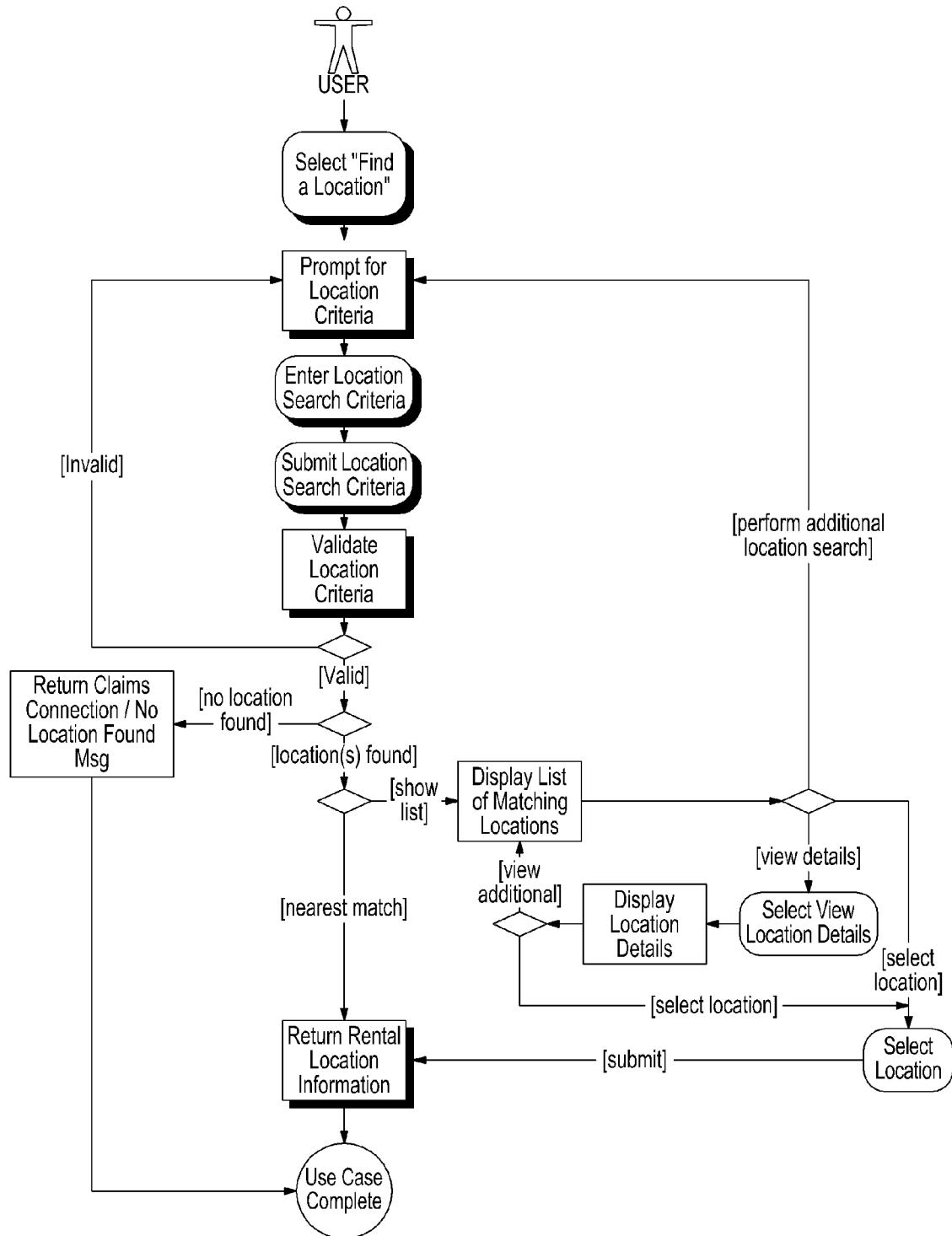
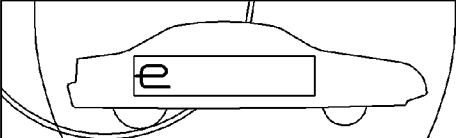


FIG. 107

(ARMS/Web 2.0)



Change Location

Search for Any United States Location

☒ Postal Zip Code

☐ Telephone

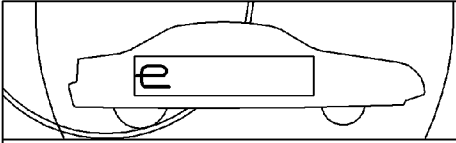
☐ City

Enter information for the area in which you'd like to rent

Next >>

FIG. 108(a)

(ARMS/Web 3.0)



Change Location

Search for Any Location

Rental Company

☒ Postal Zip Code

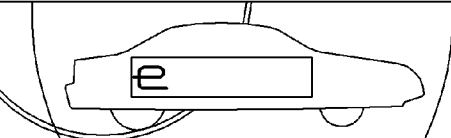
☐ Telephone

☐ City

Enter information for the area in which you'd like to rent






FIG. 108(b)

(ARMS/Web 2.0)



Choose a Location

All cars must be picked-up and dropped-off at the same location.
Please select a location.

location	miles	city	state	map
<input type="radio"/> 18636 NEW HALLS FERRY RD	1.0	SAINT LOUIS	MO	
<input type="radio"/> 11838 OLIVE BLVD	1.6	CREVE COEUR	MO	
<input type="radio"/> 2229 S. BRENTWOOD BLVD	2.1	SAINT LOUIS	MO	
<input checked="" type="radio"/> 2650 S. HANLEY RD	2.3	SAINT LOUIS	MO	
<input type="radio"/> 3701 LEMAY FERRY RD	5.0	SAINT LOUIS	MO	

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Search for Any United States Location

☒ Postal Zip Code
Enter information for the area in which you'd like to rent

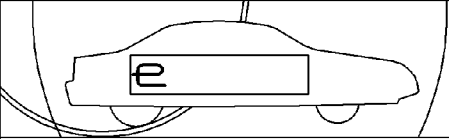
☐ Telephone

☐ City

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FIG. 109(a)

(ARMS/Web 3.0)



Choose a Location

All cars must be picked-up and dropped-off at the same location.
Please select a location.

location	rental company	miles	city	state	map
<input type="radio"/> 18636 NEW HALLS FERRY RD	ENTERPRISE RENT-A-CAR	1.0	SAINT LOUIS	MO	
<input type="radio"/> 11838 OLIVE BLVD	CAR TEMPS	1.6	CREVE COEUR	MO	
<input type="radio"/> 2229 S. BRENTWOOD BLVD	ENTERPRISE RENT-A-CAR	2.1	SAINT LOUIS	MO	
<input checked="" type="radio"/> 2650 S. HANLEY RD	HLE RENT-A-CAR	2.3	SAINT LOUIS	MO	
<input type="radio"/> 3701 LEMAY FERRY RD	RENT-A-WRECK	5.0	SAINT LOUIS	MO	

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Search for Any Location

Rental Company

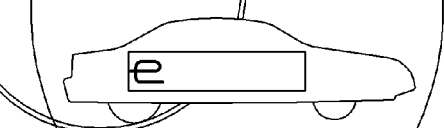
☒ Postal Zip Code
Enter information for the area in which you'd like to rent

☐ Telephone

☐ City

FIG. 109(b)

(ARMS/Web 2.0)



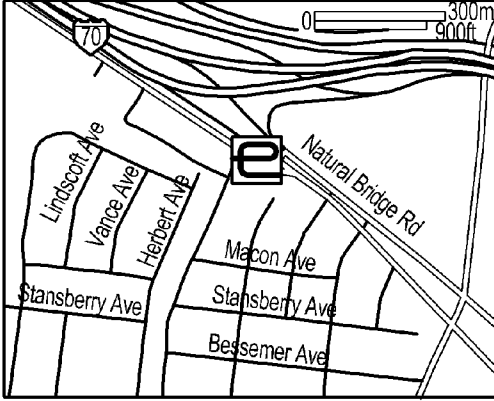
Choose a Location

BRANCH DETAIL

ST. LOUIS AIRPORT (ON-SITE) ✈
9602 NATURAL BRIDGE ROAD
BERKELEY, MO 63134-3313

(314) 427-7757

Office Hours			
Mon	6:00a - 11:00p	Fri	6:00a - 11:00p
Tue	6:00a - 11:00p	Sat	6:00a - 11:00p
Wed	6:00a - 11:00p	Sun	6:00a - 11:00p
Thu	6:00a - 11:00p		



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Enlarge Map
Zoom In

Reduce Map
Zoom Out

FIG. 110(a)

(ARMS/Web 3.0)

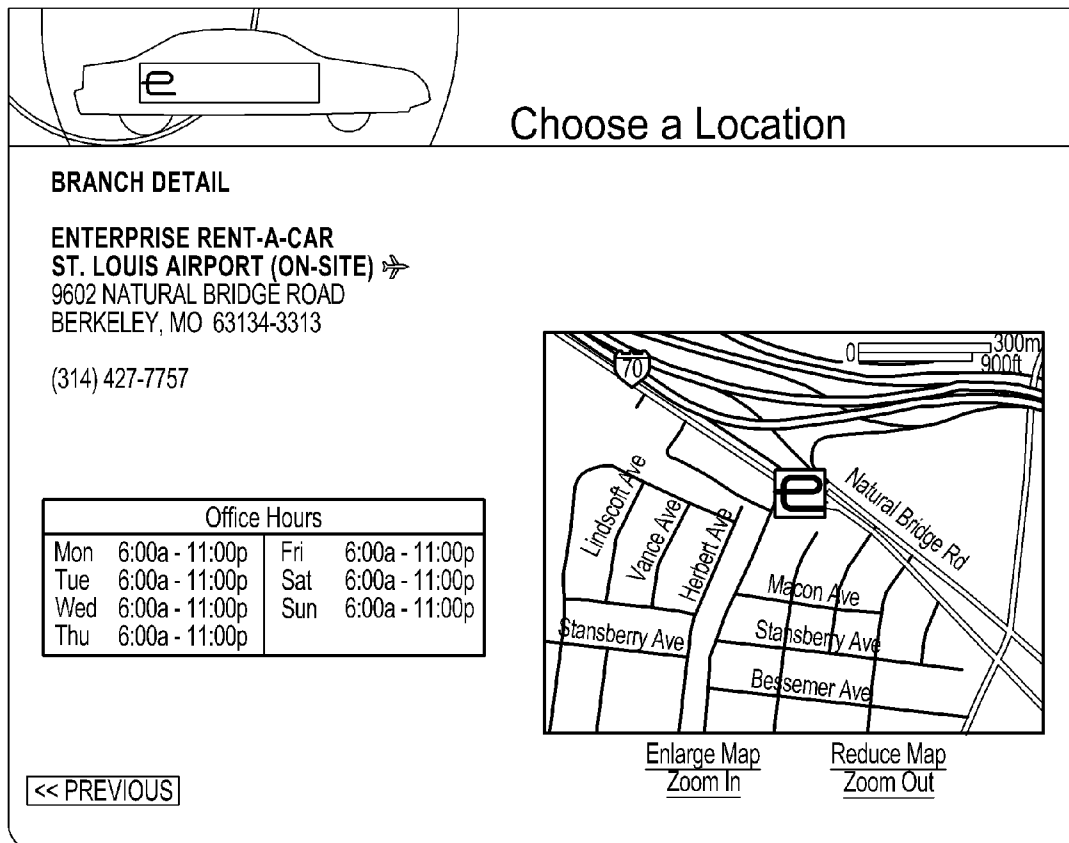


FIG. 110(b)

Send Message Activity Diagram

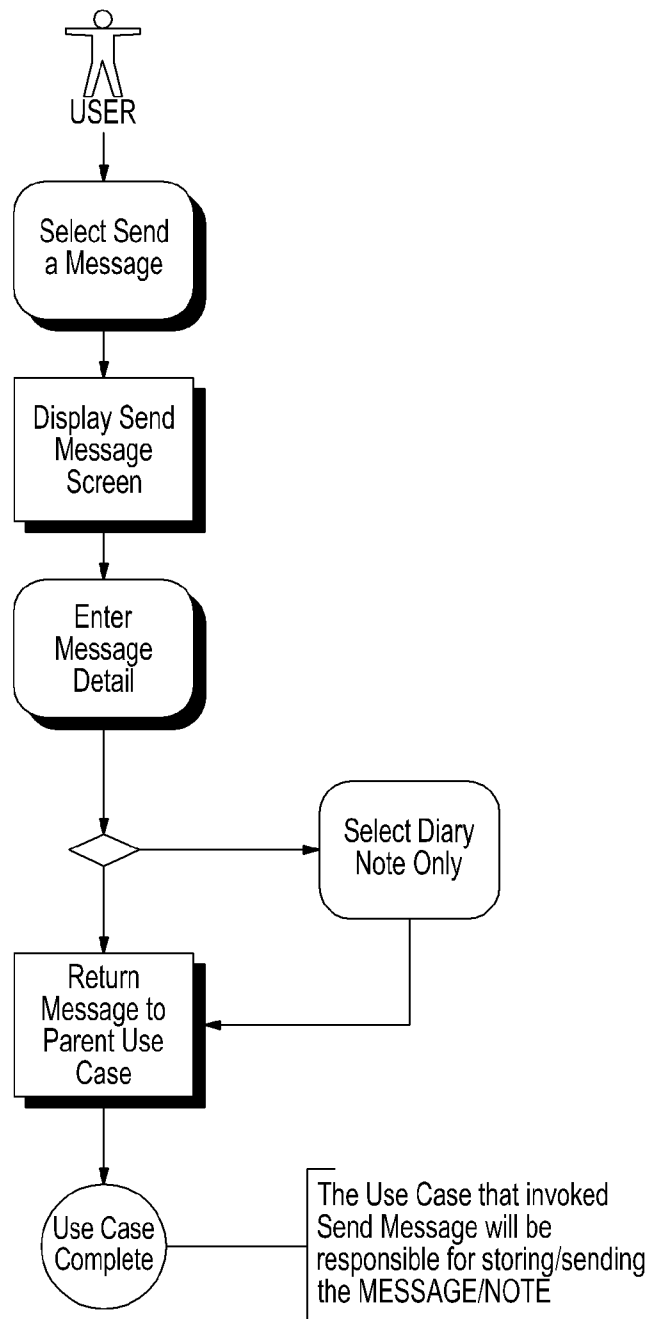


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Message Container

NOTEBOOK:

Note to Enterprise:

Note to Self Only:

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FIG. 112

Additional Charges Activity Diagram

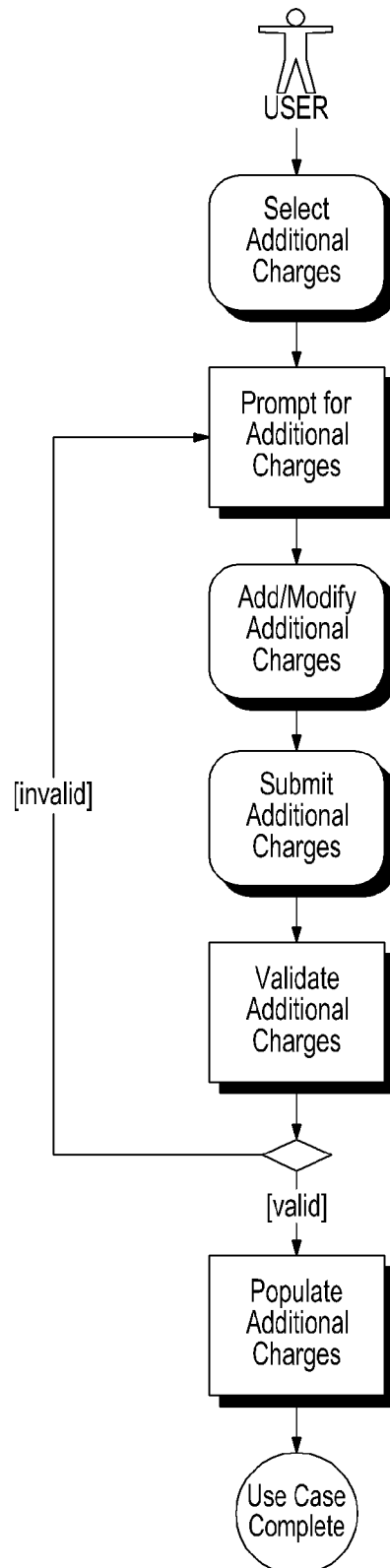
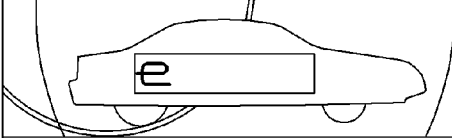


FIG. 113



Additional Charges

Add/edit surcharges to the Authorization for Tom Hanks Claim No. 1234567890
Choose from the surcharges listed below

Add	Charge Type	Auth Amount
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CDW (Collision Damage Waiver)	9.99 \$/day
<input type="checkbox"/>	PAI (Personal Accident Insurance)	\$/day
<input type="checkbox"/>	Underage Driver	\$/day
<input type="checkbox"/>	Drop Charge	\$/day
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mileage Charge	\$/day

Create a new Surcharge below or

Add	Create Charge Type	Auth Amount
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Misc. Charge baby seat	3.00 \$/day

Create more surcharges

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FIG. 114

Assign An Action Item Diagram

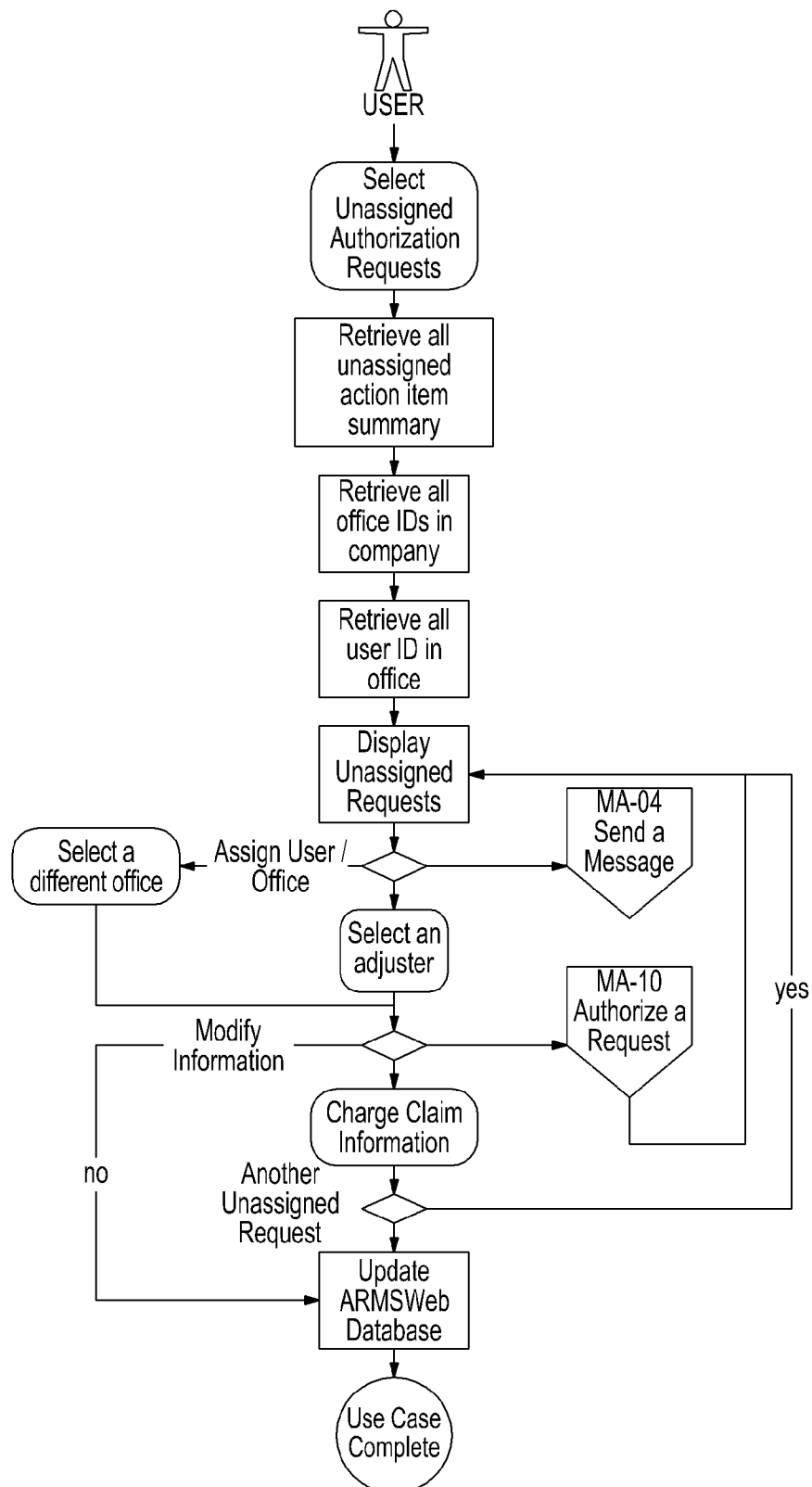



FIG. 115

		Welcome to the Automated Rental Management System						
create a RESERVATION		find a CUSTOMER		action items	completed actions	reports	my profile	help
Claims Office: 001				Handling for: Yourself				
You just approved an invoice for Crystal, Billy Total Amount \$536.13								
Action Items: UNASSIGNED								
Weber, Andrew 28445 Main Ave Chicago, IL 60622 555-555-1212		DIRECT BILL REQUEST Claim Number: 754589877 Vehicle Condition: <input type="text" value="Select a Loss Type"/> Claim Type: <input type="text" value="Select a Claim Type"/> Date of Loss: <input type="text" value="January"/> <input type="text" value="1"/> <input type="text" value="2000"/> <input type="text" value=""/> Note to Enterprise: <input type="text"/>			① Assign to Office <input type="text" value="001"/> ② Assign Adjuster <input type="text" value="Unassigned"/> -or- ③ Cancel this item			
Smith, Joe 28445 Main Ave Chicago, IL 60622 555-555-1212		DIRECT BILL REQUEST Claim Number: 754589877 Vehicle Condition: <input type="text" value="Select a Loss Type"/> Claim Type: <input type="text" value="Select a Claim Type"/> Date of Loss: <input type="text" value="January"/> <input type="text" value="1"/> <input type="text" value="2000"/> <input type="text" value=""/> Note to Enterprise: <input type="text"/>			① Assign to Office <input type="text" value="001"/> ② Assign Adjuster <input type="text" value="Unassigned"/> -or- ③ Cancel this item			
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FIG. 116

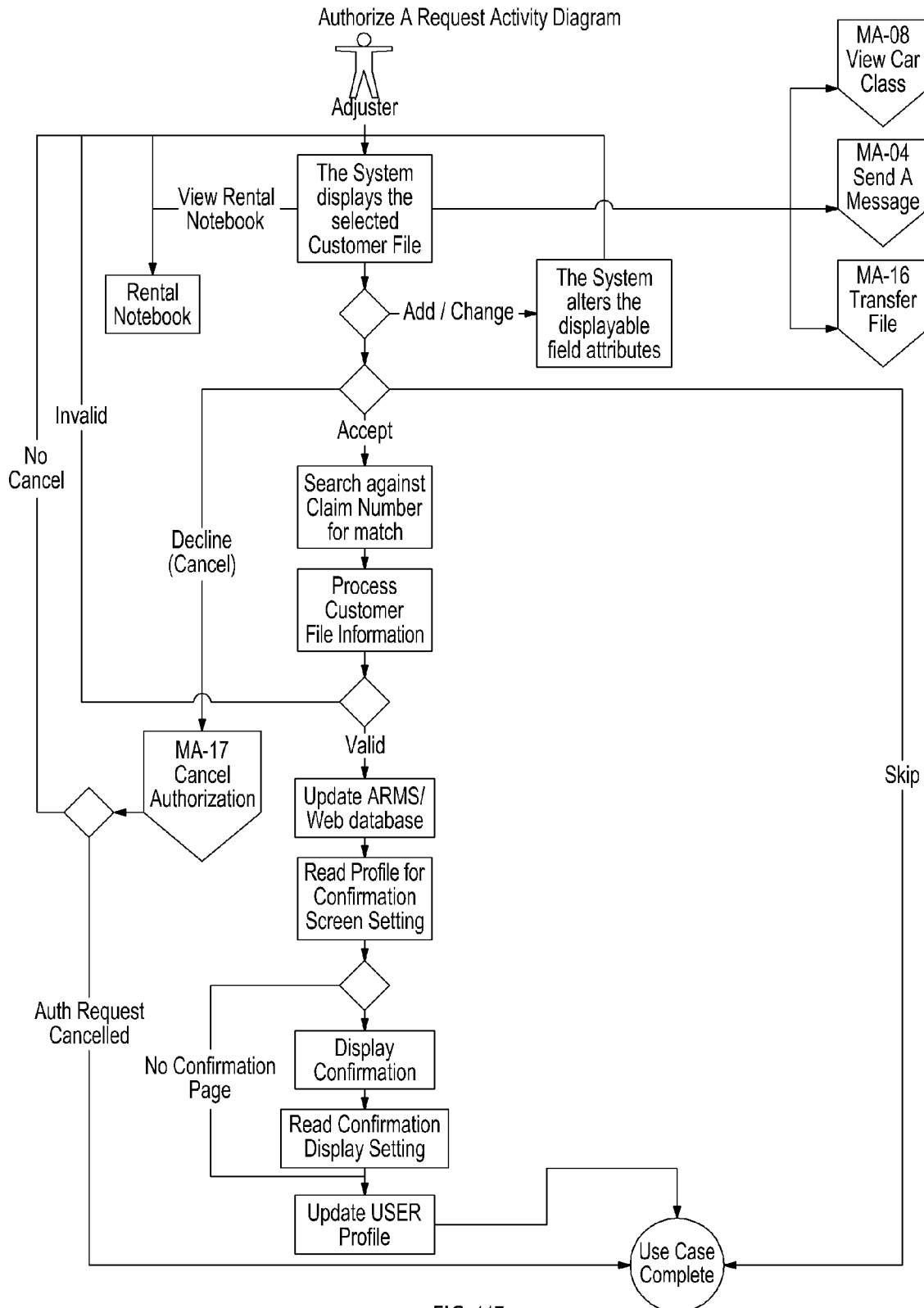


FIG. 117

Welcome to the Automated Rental Management System	
create a RESERVATION	find a CUSTOMER
action items completed actions reports my profile help	
Claims office: 001 Handling for: Yourself TRANSFER FILE	
Authorize Direct Bill: for Hanks, Tom Claim no. 765849322-001 CUSTOMER FILE 1 of 4 Action Items	
Direct Bill Requested for: Claim Number: <input type="text" value="765849322-001"/> Claim Type: <input type="text" value="Select a Claim Type"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/> days @ <input type="text" value="Compact/21.95"/> VIEW CARS Policy: Daily rate/ Maximum dollars <input type="text" value="20/500"/> Direct Bill%: <input type="text" value="100"/> Vehicle Condition: <input type="text" value="Select a Condition"/> Date of Loss: <input type="text" value="January"/> <input type="text" value="1"/> <input type="text" value="2000"/> <input type="text"/> Date Rental Needed: <input type="text" value="January"/> <input type="text" value="1"/> <input type="text" value="2000"/> <input type="text"/> Insured Name: Last <input type="text"/> First <input type="text"/> Message: Direct Bill request for Hanks, Tom 4/23/00 Go to Notebook	Note to Enterprise: <input type="text"/> Note to Self Only: <input type="text"/>
CANCEL PROCESS SKIP >>	

[Change or Add]

RENTER INFORMATION:

Hanks, Tom
1735 N. Paulina St.
Chicago, IL 60622

Home: (773)564-6054
Work: (773)395-6200
Email: dbowie@zefer.com
Requested email confirmation

RENTAL INFORMATION:

Authorized Class: Standard
Days/Rate: 5 days @ \$21.95/day
Current Class: Compact
Additional Charges: None
Direct Bill %: None
Rental Date: 03/28/2000
Start Date: 03/20/2000

Enterprise Rent-A-Car Location:

Enterprise Edgewater Branch
5400 N. Ashland
Chicago, IL 60622
773-334-5400

ADDITIONAL CLAIM INFORMATION:

Claim Number: 765849322-001
Claim Type: Theft
Insured Name: Lalumandier, Craig
Owner's vehicle: GMC Suburban 1999
Date of Loss: 03/28/2000
Loss Type: Non-Driveable
Policy: Daily rate/
Maximum dollars: 30/600

Repair Facility:

Elco Chevrolet
Chicago, IL 60621
773-334-9832

NOTEBOOK:

Message, Belanger, Hugues, 2/20/00
Note from Enterprise, Sarussi, Marty, 2/21/00
Extension Request, 2/24/00
Extension, 2/25/00


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FIG. 118

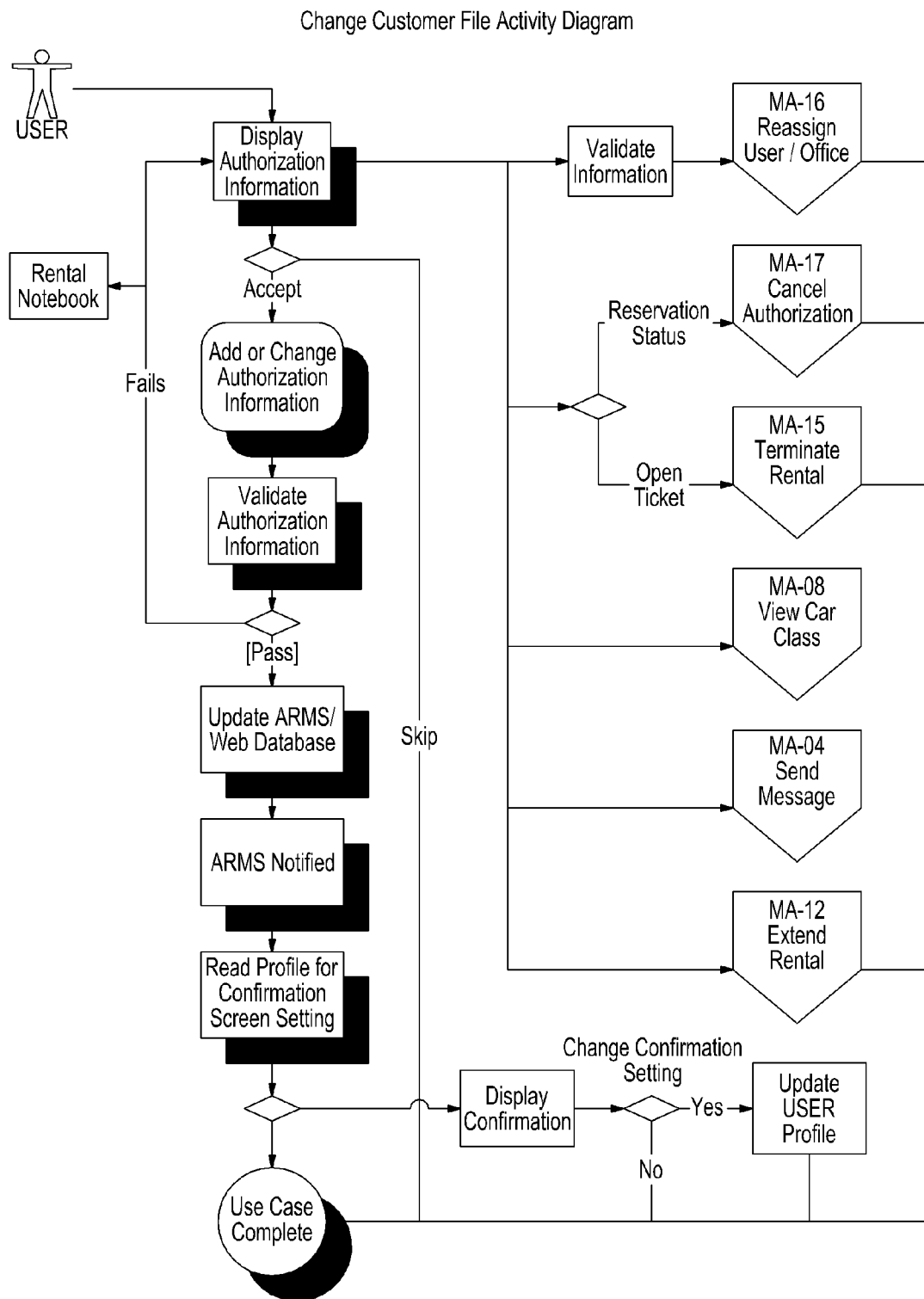



FIG. 119



Welcome to the
Automated Rental Management System

create a
RESERVATION

find a
CUSTOMER

action items

completed actions

reports

my profile

help

Claims office: 001 Handling for: Yourself

[Change or Add]

Last: Hanks First: Tom

Address: 1735 N. Paulina St.

City: Chicago State: IL Zip: 60622

Home (773)564-6054 Ext:

Work (773)395-6200 Ext:

Email: thanks@zefer.com

☒ Requested email confirmation

Enterprise Rent-A-Car Location:
Enterprise Edgewater Branch
5400 N. Ashland
Chicago, IL 60622
773-334-5400

Insured Name: Last: Lalumandier First: Craig

Owner's vehicle: GMC Suburban 1999

Date of Loss: JAN 12 2000

Vehicle Condition: Non-Driveable

Repair Facility: Elco Chevrolet

City: Chicago

State: IL Zip: 60622

FIG. 120(a)

(Before clicking the Change or Add Link)

Welcome to the Automated Rental Management System	
create a RESERVATION	find a CUSTOMER
action items completed actions reports my profile help	
Claims office: 001 Handling for: Yourself TRANSFER FILE	
You just authorized 3 day at \$29.39/day for Hanks, Tom Customer File: for Bowie, David Claim no. 765849322-001 OPEN 2 of 4 Action Items	
Extension requested for: <input type="checkbox"/> additional authorized days @ Compact/21.95 VIEW CARS Policy Limits 20/500	
Messages: 08/31/00 BSS 2 more days - Waiting on Parts: 08/30/00 Waiting on fender: 08/29/00 Extension requested through 08/30/00: 3 days extension requested: Go to Notebook	
Current Rental Status* Rental Start Date: 5/15/00 Last Authorized Date: 04/13/00 Authorized to Date: 5 days Charges to Date: \$239.00* Direct Bill %: 100%	
Note to Enterprise: <input type="text"/> Note to Self: <input type="text"/> Rental Location: Enterprise Edgewater Branch 773-334-5400 Repair Facility: Elco Chevrolet (773)-334-9832 Owner Vehicle: 1999 GMC Suburban Vehicle Condition: Non-Driveable <input type="checkbox"/> Extend this rental?	
*Does not include taxes and surcharges SET LAST DAY PROCESS SKIP >>	

[\[Change or Add\]](#)**RENTER INFORMATION**

Bowie, David
 1735 N. Paulina St.
 Chicago, IL 60622

Home: (773)564-6054
 Work: (773)395-6200
 Email: dbowie@zefer.com
 Requested email confirmation

RENTAL INFORMATION

Authorized Class: Standard
 Days/Rate: 5 days @ \$21.99/day
 Current Class: Full-Size
 Additional Charges: None
 Direct Bill %: None
 Rental Date: 03/28/2000
 Start Date: 03/20/2000

Enterprise Rent-A-Car Location:

Enterprise Edgewater Branch
 5400 N. Ashland
 Chicago, IL 60622
 773-334-5400

ADDITIONAL CLAIM INFORMATION:

Claim Number: 323232323232323
 Claim Type: Theft
 Insured Name: Lalumandier, Craig
 Owner's vehicle: GMC Suburban 1999
 Date of Loss: 03/28/2000
 Loss Type: Non-Driveable
 Policy: Daily rate/
 Maximum dollars: 30/600

Repair Facility:

Elco Chevrolet
 Chicago, IL 60621
 (773)334-9832

NOTEBOOK:

Message, Belanger, Hugues, 2/20/00
 Note from Enterprise, Sarussi, Marty, 2/21/00
 Extension Request, 2/24/00
 Extension, 2/25/00

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FIG. 120(b)

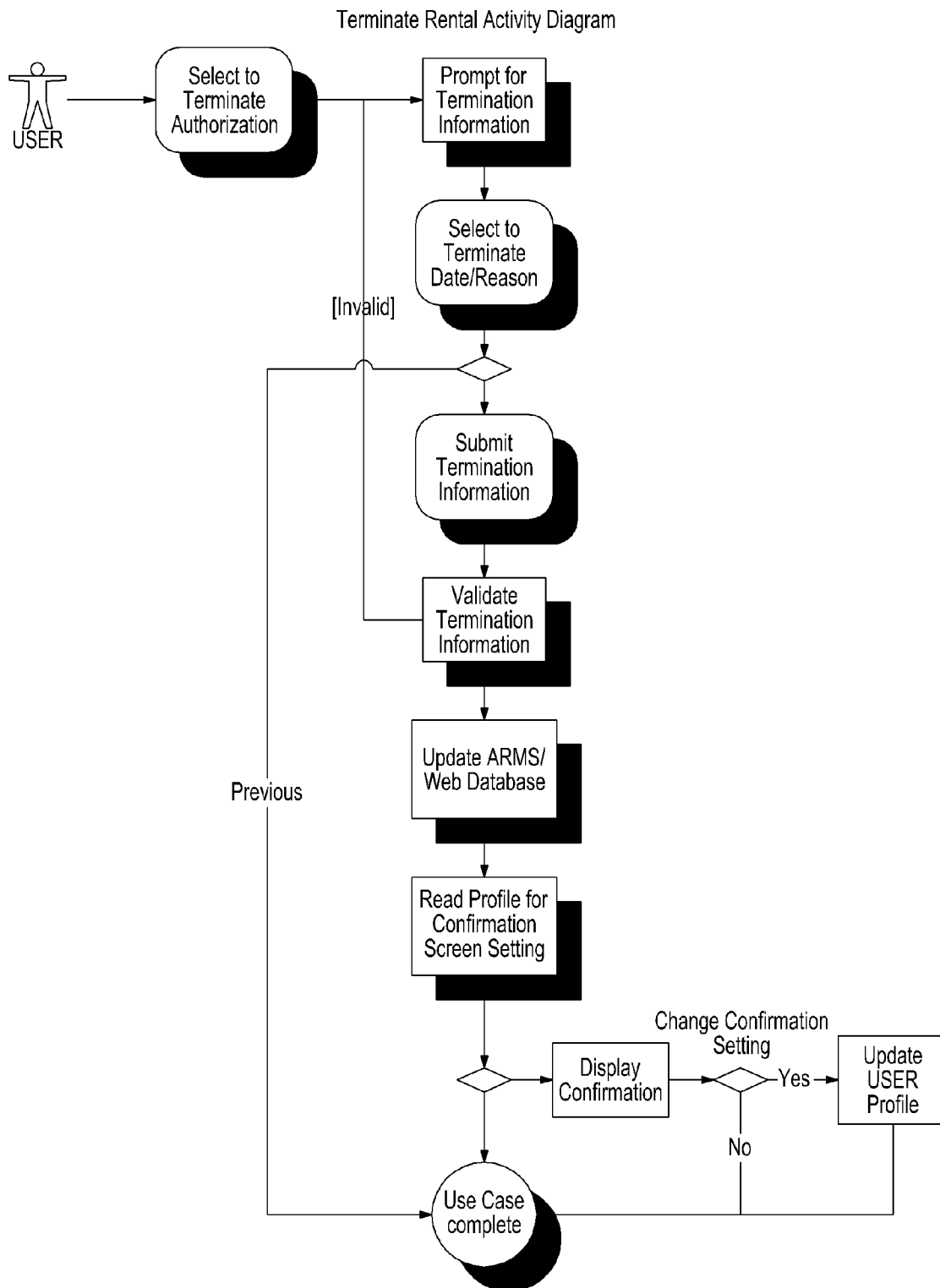
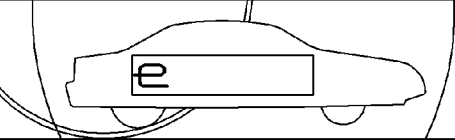


FIG. 121



Set Last Day of Rental

Renter: Weber, Andrew

Termination Date: January 2000

Reason: Duplicate Reservation/Authorization

Comment:

Please notify renter

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FIG. 122

Reassign User/Office Activity Diagram

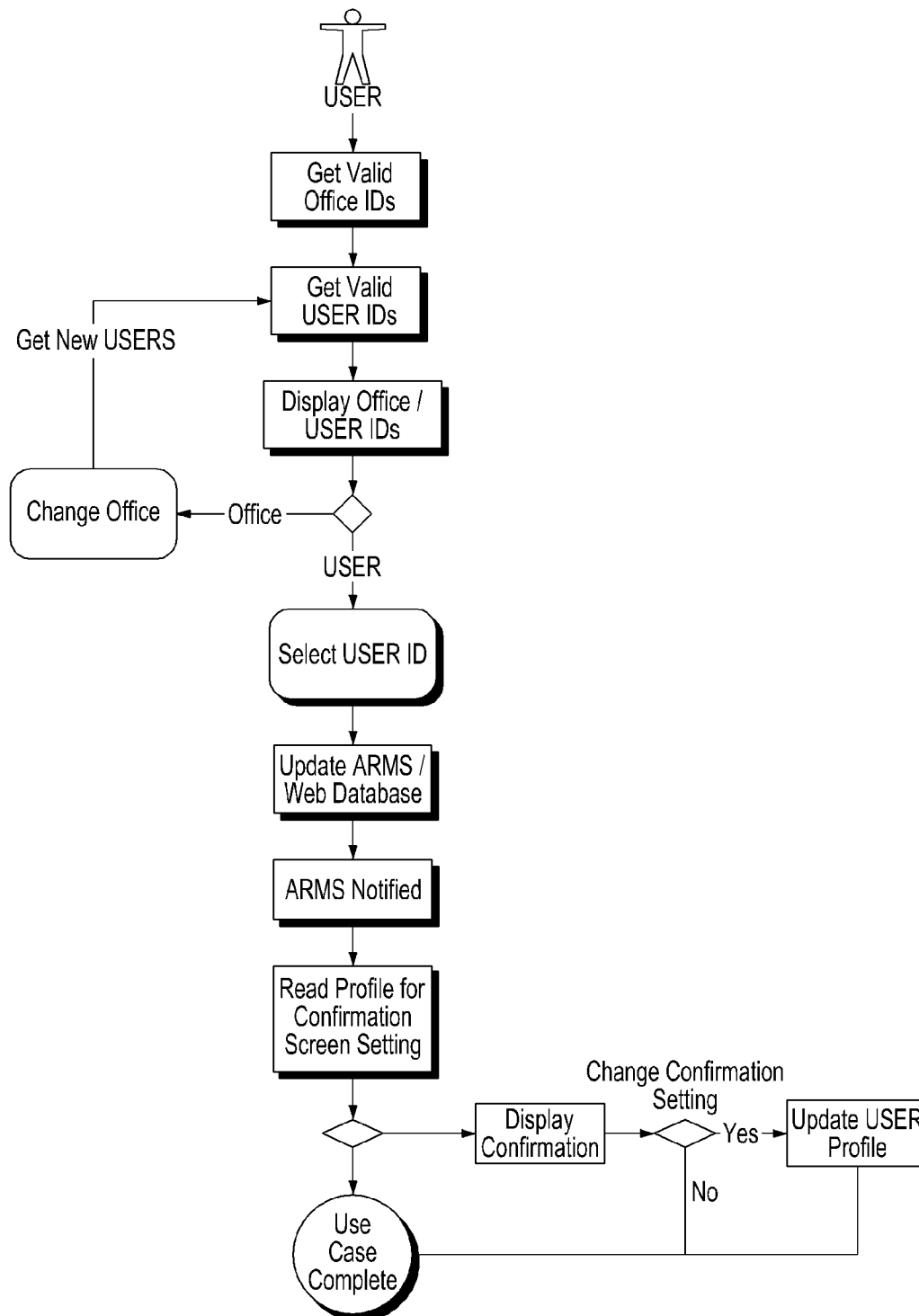
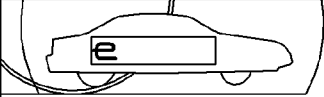


FIG. 123



Transfer File

Any Changes made to this file will be transferred when you process.

Adjuster currently handling this customer file:

Claims Office: 001

Adjuster's Name: Fitzgerald, Neil

Select the adjuster you want to transfer this customer file to:

Claims Office:

Adjuster's Name:

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FIG. 124

Cancel Authorization Activity Diagram

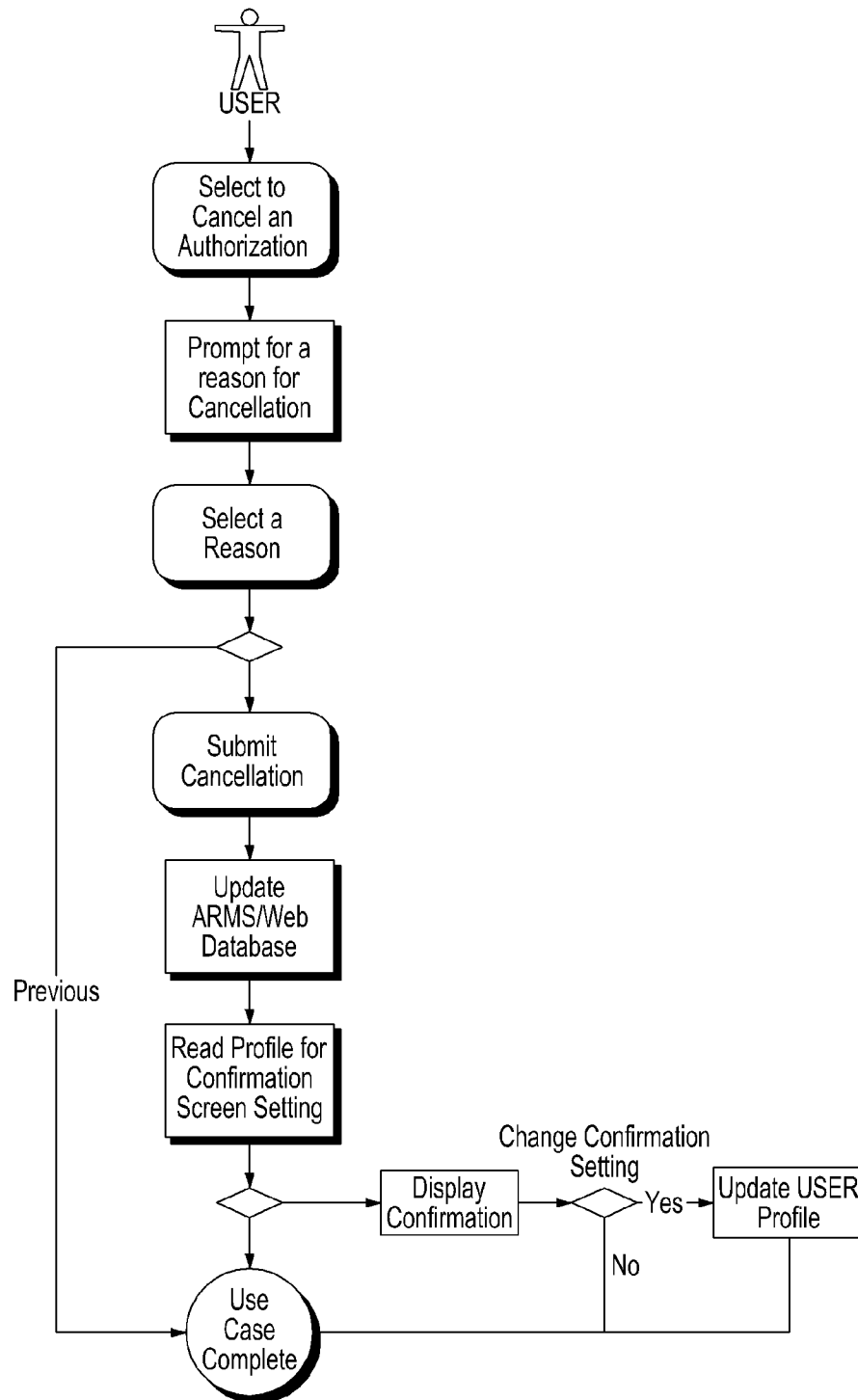



FIG. 125



Cancel Item

Cancel Direct Bill Authorization

You have chosen to cancel the following item.

<u>Renter's Name</u>	<u>Claim #</u>
Weber, Andrew	364829484092223542

Reason:

Comment:

FIG. 126

View Customer File Activity Diagram

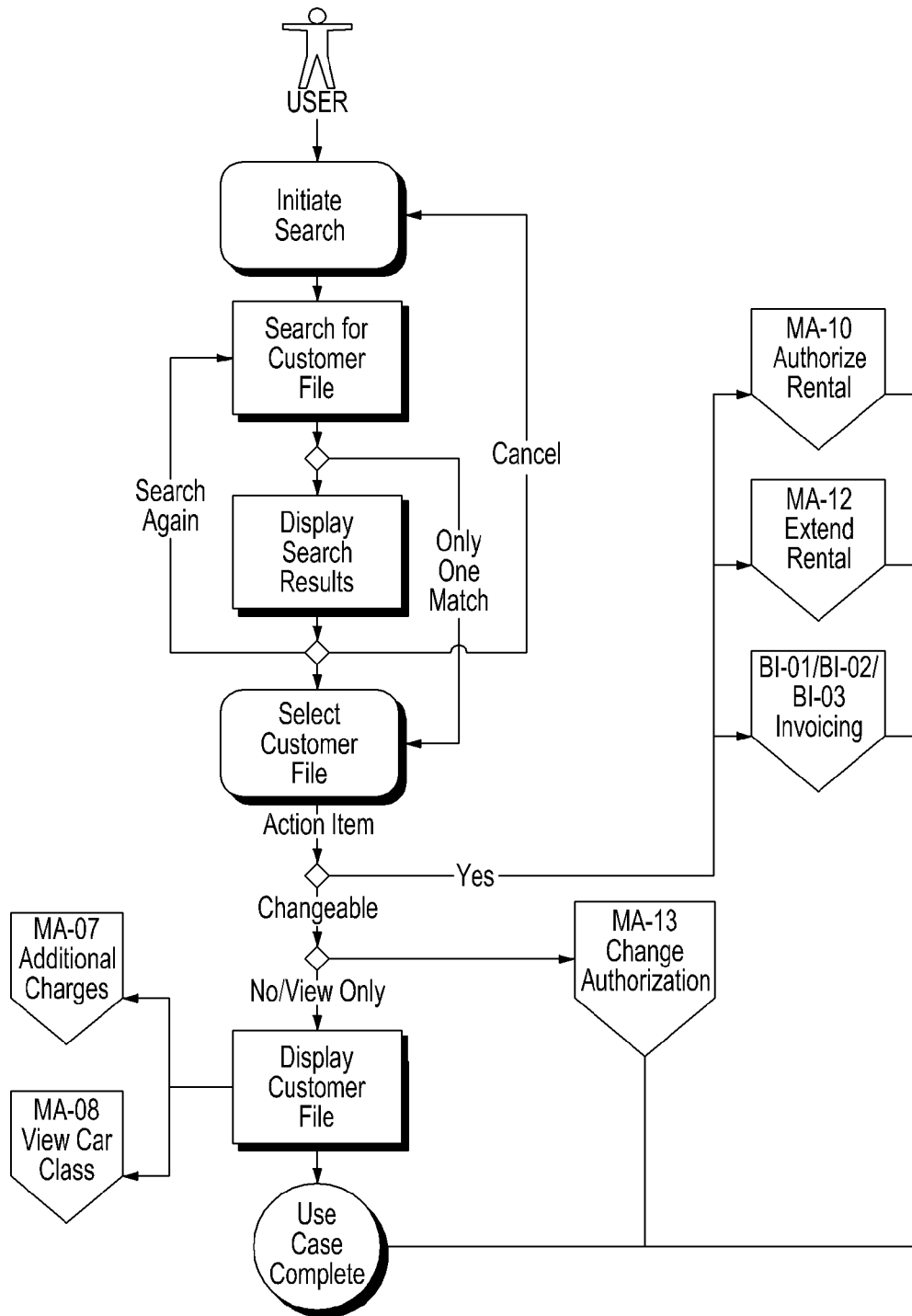
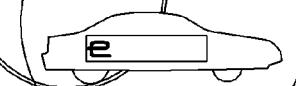


FIG. 127



Welcome to the
Automated Rental Management System

create a
RESERVATION

find a
CUSTOMER

action items | completed actions | reports | my profile | help

Claims office: Handling for:

last name:

first name:

claim number:

adj. last name:

last date authorized:

mm/dd/yy
status:
please choose

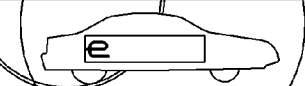
SEARCH

come back, Fitzgerald, Neil.
ow please find the action items that require you attention.
the Action Items, click the column title of your chosen sorting method
sort by date, click "DATE RECEIVED")

<u>DATE RECEIVED</u>	<u>RENTER'S NAME</u>	<u>CLAIM NUMBER</u>	<u>ADJUSTER</u>
-23-00	Hanks, Tom	234589871	Fitzgerald, Neil
-01-00	Bowie, David	234589871	Fitzgerald, Neil
-01-00	Simpson, Homer	754589877	Fitzgerald, Neil
-01-00	Weber, Andrew	754589877	Fitzgerald, Neil
-01-00	Crystal, Billy	235469871	Fitzgerald, Neil
-15-00	(5) Invoices		Fitzgerald, Neil
-15-00	(7) Action Items		Unassigned

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FIG. 128



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Claims office: 001 Handling for: Yourself

Customer File: for Bowie, David Claim No. 323232323232
CLOSED

[Go to Invoice](#)

RENTER INFORMATION:
Bowie, David
1735 N. Paulina St.
Chicago, IL 60622
Renter Type: Claimant

Home: (773) 564-6054
Work: (773) 395-6200
Email: dbowie@zefer.com
Requested email confirmation

RENTAL INFORMATION:
Authorized Rental:
Authorized Class: Standard
Days/Rate: 3 days @ \$21.99/day
Current Class: Full-Size

Enterprise Rent-A-Car Location:
Enterprise Edgewater Branch
5400 N. Ashland
Chicago, IL 60622
773-334-5400

Rental Date: 03/28/2000
Start Date: 03/30/2000

CLAIM INFORMATION:
Claim Number: 3232323232323
Insured Name: Lalumandier, Craig
Owner's vehicle: GMC Suburban 1999
Date of Loss: 03/28/2000
Vehicle Condition: Non-Drivable

Repair Facility:
Elco Chevrolet
Chicago, IL 60621
(773)334-9832

NOTEBOOK:
Invoice Paid: 536.13 on 6/20/00
Message, Belanger, Hughes, 2/20/00
Note from Enterprise, Sarussi, Marty, 2/21/00
Extension Request, 2/24/00
Extension, 2/25/00

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FIG. 129(b)

FIG. 129(a)

FIG. 129(a)

Invoicing: [PRINTER FRIENDLY PAGE](#) ☐ Print Rental History too

[Use the "Print" button from your browser after clicking the "Printer-Friendly Version" button.]

RENTAL:

Enterprise Rent-A-Car Location:
6850 Ladue Rd.
Saint Louis, MO 631240001
(314) 512-0294

INVOICE:

Reference: PPGM D073082
Invoice Date: 02/10/00
Federal ID: 4800791835

Authorized

Authorized Period: 02/10/00 to 03/01/00 (20 days)
Days 20
Rate 22.99
Direct Bill Percent 100%
Total authorized: 459.8 Plus Tax & Surcharges

CLAIM:

Renter: Weber, Andrew
Claim Number: 5698754821
Claim Type: Claimant
Vehicle Condition: Non-Driveable
Date of Loss: 02/05/00
Insured Name: Smith, Bob

Actual Rental

Rental Period: 02/10/00 to 03/01/00 (20 days)

Billed Period: 02/10/00 to 03/01/00 (20 days)

Actual Days:

Actual Days:

20 @ \$22.99/day = \$505.78

Direct Bill Percent 100%

Sales Tax (6%) = \$30.35

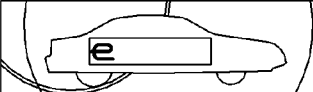
Total Charges: \$536.13

Amount Received: \$0.00

Total Due: \$536.13

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FIG. 129(b)



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Claims office: 001 Handling for: Yourself

There was more than one possible match for the items you searched for.
Please choose from the results below or [Search Again](#)

Search Results: You requested a search for: Abraham, Alice
Adjuster Name: Summer

Items Searched: All Files

Renter's Name	Claim Number	File Type	Loss Date	Last Date Authorized
Abott, Jim	32132541	Extension	03/25/2000	04/15/2000
Baker, Kim	44557754	Reservation	04/02/2000	
Brooks, Jill	78155458	Closed	01/15/2000	01/25/2000
Camren, Rob	77854121	Direct Bill Request	04/25/2000	
Colins, Mark	44765571	Open (customer in car)	04/21/2000	04/29/2000
Franklin, Neil	45222173	Closed	02/10/2000	02/28/2000
Froghammer, Freddy	66475578	Closed	01/09/1999	01/30/1999
Hanks, Tom	765849322-001	Direct Bill Request	04/23/2000	
Hanks, Sophia	880254321	Open (customer in car)	04/16/2000	04/30/2000
Jones, Bob	880234213	Open (customer in car)	04/18/2000	04/21/2000

25 items in the list Matches 1-10 of 25 [View next 10 >>](#)

Would you like another search?

Last Name: Abraham

First Name: Alice

Claim Number:

Confirmation Number:

Adjuster Last Name: Summer

Last Date Authorized: January 1 2000

Status: Closed [Search Again](#)

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FIG. 130

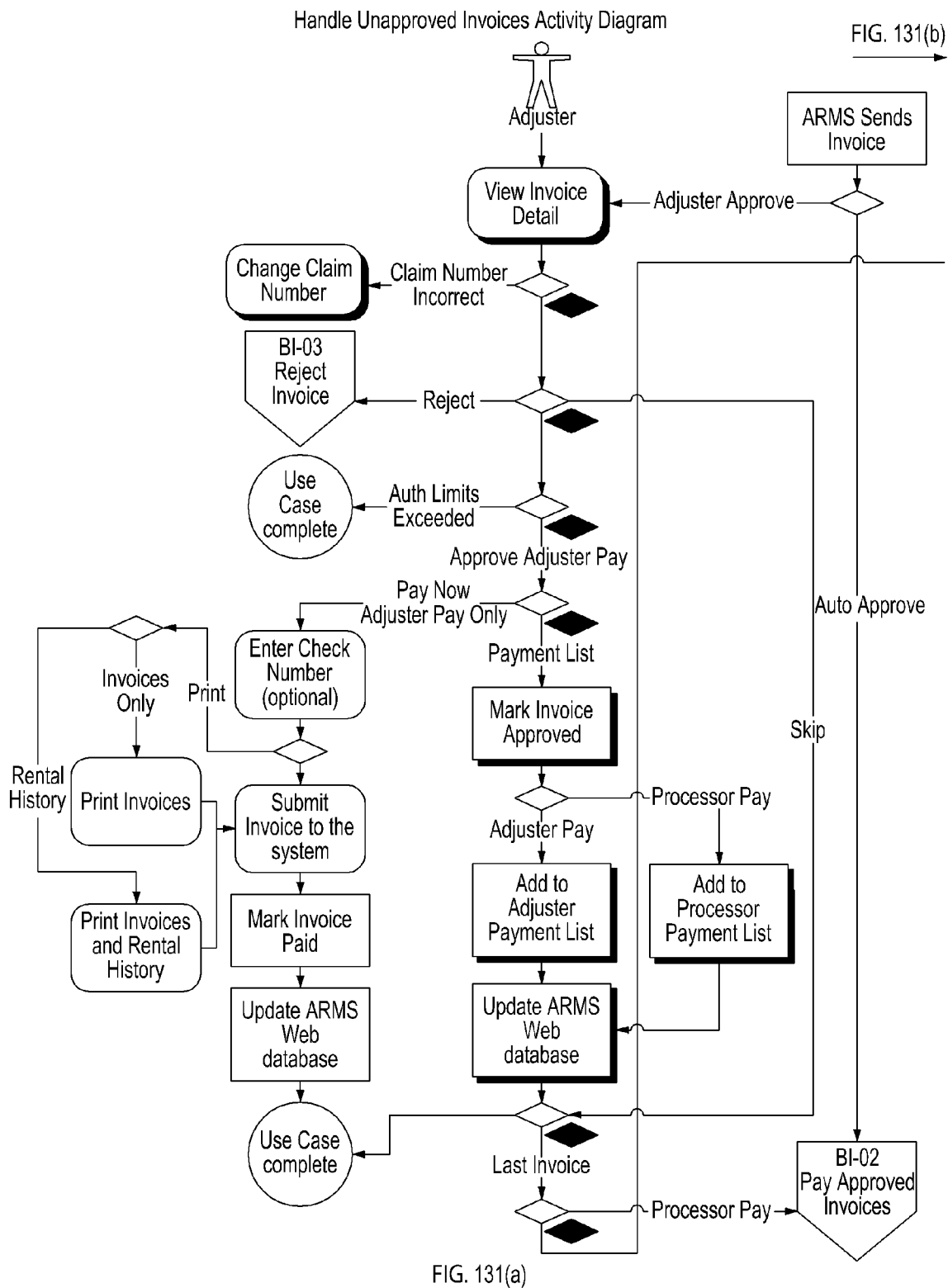


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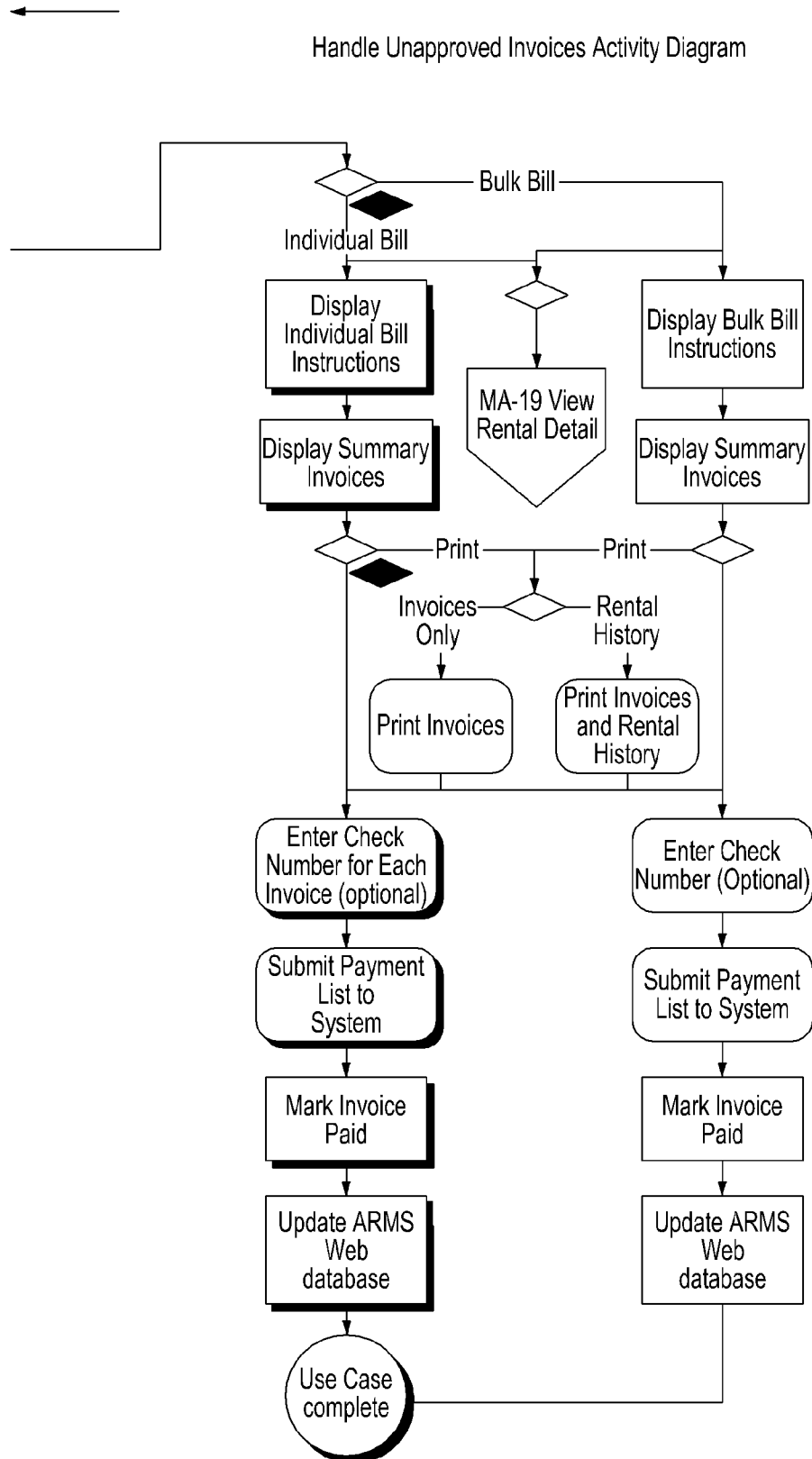


FIG. 131(b)

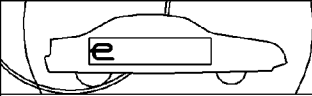
		Welcome to the Automated Rental Management System	
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		help	
Invoicing: for Weber, Andrew Claim no. 765849322-001 INDIVIDUAL PAYMENT		Claims office: 001	Handling for: Yourself
		TRANSFER FILE	
PRINTER FRIENDLY PAGE		Total due: \$536.13	
<input type="checkbox"/> Print Rental History too		Check number for your payment: <input type="text"/>	
[Use the "Print" button from your browser after clicking the "Printer Friendly Page" button.]		Please include this reference number on your check: PPGM D073082 Federal ID: 4800791835	
ARMS does not PAY your invoices. Please make sure you complete the appropriate actions in (customer's system's name) to route the payment to us.		Send payment to: Enterprise Rent-A-Car 6850 Ladue Rd. St. Louis, MO 63124-0001	
		REJECT	PAY NOW
		ADD TO PAYMENT LIST	SKIP >>
RENTAL: Enterprise Rent-A-Car Location: 6850 Ladue Rd. Saint Louis, MO 631240001 (314) 512-0294		INVOICE: Reference: PPGM D073082 Invoice Date: 02/10/00 Federal ID: 4800791835	
Authorized Authorized Period: 02/10/00 to 03/01/00 (20 days)		CLAIM: Renter: Weber, Andrew	
Days	20	Claim Number: 5698754821	
Rate	22.99	Claim Type: Claimant	
Direct Bill Percent	100%	Vehicle Condition: Non-Driveable	
Total authorized:	459.8 Plus Tax & Surcharges	Date of Loss: 02/05/00	
Actual Rental Rental Period: 02/10/00 to 03/01/00 (20 days) Billed Period: 02/10/00 to 03/01/00 (20 days)		Insured Name: Smith, Bob	
Actual Days: 20 @ \$22.99/day =		\$505.78	
Direct Bill Percent	100%		
Total Charges:	\$536.13		
Amount Received:	\$0.00		
Total Due:	\$536.13		
NOTEBOOK: Reservation for Weber, Andrew 2/21/00 Diary Note, Marty Sarussi, 2/21/00 Extension request, 2/24/00			
		REJECT	PAY NOW
		ADD TO PAYMENT LIST	SKIP >>
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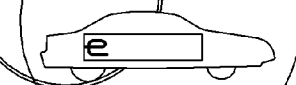
		Welcome to the Automated Rental Management System	
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Invoicing: for Weber, Andrew Claim no. 765849322-001 INDIVIDUAL PAYMENT		Claims office: 001 Handling for: Yourself TRANSFER FILE	
PRINTER FRIENDLY PAGE <input type="checkbox"/> Print Rental History too [Use the "Print" button from your browser after clicking the "Printer Friendly Page" button.] ARMS does not PAY your invoices. Please make sure you complete the appropriate actions in (customer's system's name) to route the payment to us.		Total due: \$536.13 Check number for your payment: <input type="text"/> Please include this reference number on your check: PPGM D073082 Federal ID: 4800791835 Send payment to: Enterprise Rent-A-Car 6850 Ladue Rd. St. Louis, MO 63124-0001	
		REJECT PAY NOW ADD TO PAYMENT LIST SKIP >>	
RENTAL: Enterprise Rent-A-Car Location: 6850 Ladue Rd. Saint Louis, MO 631240001 (314) 512-0294 Authorized Authorized Period: 02/10/00 to 03/01/00 (20 days) Days 20 Rate 22.99 Direct Bill Percent 100% Total authorized: 459.8 Plus Tax & Surcharges Actual Rental Rental Period: 02/10/00 to 03/01/00 (20 days) Billed Period: 02/10/00 to 03/01/00 (20 days) Actual Days: 20 @ \$22.99/day = \$505.78 Direct Bill Percent 100% Total Charges: \$536.13 Amount Received: \$0.00 Total Due: \$536.13		INVOICE: Reference: PPGM D073082 Invoice Date: 02/10/00 Federal ID: 4800791835 CLAIM: Renter: Weber, Andrew Claim Number: 5698754821 Claim Type: Claimant Vehicle Condition: Non-Driveable Date of Loss: 02/05/00 Insured Name: Smith, Bob	
NOTEBOOK: Reservation for Weber, Andrew 2/21/00 Diary Note, Marty Sarussi, 2/21/00 Extension request, 2/24/00		REJECT PAY NOW ADD TO PAYMENT LIST SKIP >>	
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Invoicing: for Weber, Andrew Claim no. 765849322-001 INDIVIDUAL PAYMENT		Claims office: 001 Handling for: Yourself TRANSFER FILE	
PRINTER FRIENDLY PAGE <input type="checkbox"/> Print Rental History too [Use the "Print" button from your browser after clicking the "Printer Friendly Page" button.] ARMS does not PAY your invoices. Please make sure you complete the appropriate actions in (customer's system's name) to route the payment to us.		Total due: \$536.13 Check number for your payment: <input type="text"/> Please include this reference number on your check: PPGM D073082 Federal ID: 4800791835 Send payment to: Enterprise Rent-A-Car 6850 Ladue Rd. St. Louis, MO 63124-0001	
		REJECT PAY NOW ADD TO PAYMENT LIST SKIP >>	
RENTAL: Enterprise Rent-A-Car Location: 6850 Ladue Rd. Saint Louis, MO 631240001 (314) 512-0294 Authorized Authorized Period: 02/10/00 to 03/01/00 (20 days) Days 20 Rate 22.99 Direct Bill Percent 100% Total authorized: 459.8 Plus Tax & Surcharges Actual Rental Rental Period: 02/10/00 to 03/01/00 (20 days) Billed Period: 02/10/00 to 03/01/00 (20 days) Actual Days: 20 @ \$22.99/day = \$505.78 Direct Bill Percent 100% Total Charges: \$536.13 Amount Received: \$0.00 Total Due: \$536.13		INVOICE: Reference: PPGM D073082 Invoice Date: 02/10/00 Federal ID: 4800791835 CLAIM: Renter: Weber, Andrew Claim Number: 5698754821 Claim Type: Claimant Vehicle Condition: Non-Driveable Date of Loss: 02/05/00 Insured Name: Smith, Bob	
NOTEBOOK: Reservation for Weber, Andrew 2/21/00 Diary Note, Marty Sarussi, 2/21/00 Extension request, 2/24/00		REJECT PAY NOW ADD TO PAYMENT LIST SKIP >>	
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FIG. 135

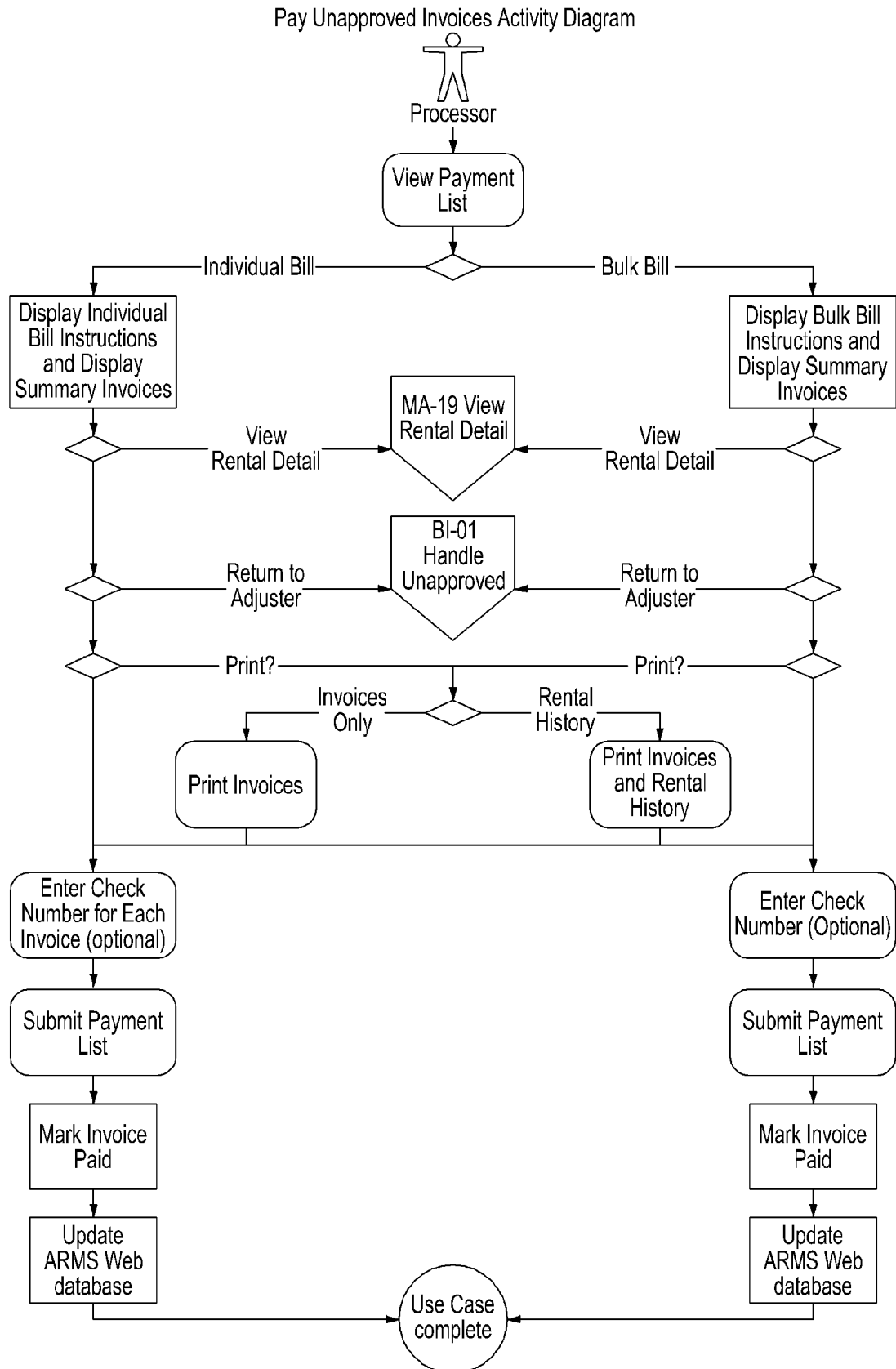


FIG. 136

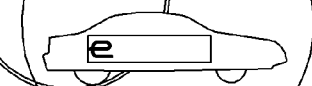
		Welcome to the Automated Rental Management System				
create a RESERVATION	find a CUSTOMER	action items	completed actions	reports	my profile	help
Invoicing: INDIVIDUAL PAYMENT LIST		Claims office: 001		Handling for: Yourself		
Checklist:				PRINTER FRIENDLY PAGE		
ARMS does not PAY your invoices.				<input type="checkbox"/> Print Rental History too		
Please make sure you complete the appropriate actions in (customer system's name) to route the payment to us.				[Use the "Print" button form your browser after clicking the "Printer Friendly Page" button.]		
You may also choose to complete this transaction at a later time.				CONFIRM PAYMENT PAY LATER		
<u>Weber, Andrew</u>		Invoice 1 Invoice: PPGM D073082 Federal ID: 48-0791835 Invoice Date: 10/22/99 Claim Claim Number: 5698754821 Claim Type: Claimant Vehicle Condition: Driveable Date of Loss: 10/10/99 Rental Branch Location: 6850 Ladue Rd. St. Louis, MO 63124-0001 314-512-0294		① Please include this reference number on your check: 567347585 ② Remit to: Enterprise Rent-A-Car ③ Total Amount: \$536.13 ④ Enter the check number for your payment here: <input type="text"/> ⑤ Send Payment to: Enterprise Rent-A-Car 6850 Ladue Rd. St. Louis, MO 63124-0001		
RETURN TO ADJUSTER						
<u>Crystal, Billy</u>		Invoice 2 Invoice: PPGM D073082 Federal ID: 48-0791835 Invoice Date: 10/22/99 Claim Claim Number: 56987987655 Claim Type: Claimant Vehicle Condition: Driveable Date of Loss: 10/10/99 Rental Branch Location: 234 Bonhomme St. Clayton, MO 63100-2011 314-539-9899		① Please include this reference number on your check: 56789876 ② Remit to: Enterprise Rent-A-Car ③ Total Amount: \$536.13 ④ Enter the check number for your payment here: <input type="text"/> ⑤ Send Payment to: Enterprise Rent-A-Car 6850 Ladue Rd. St. Louis, MO 63124-0001		
RETURN TO ADJUSTER						
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FIG. 137

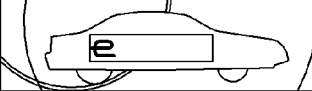
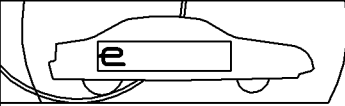
		Welcome to the Automated Rental Management System				
create a RESERVATION	find a CUSTOMER	action items	completed actions	reports	my profile	help
Invoicing: BULK PAYMENT LIST		Claims office: 001		Handling for: Yourself		
				GEICO		
<p>Checklist: ARMS does not PAY your invoices. Please make sure you complete the appropriate actions in (customer system's name) to route the payment to us. You may also choose to complete this transaction at a later time.</p>				<div>PRINTER FRIENDLY PAGE</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> Print Rental History too</div> <div>[Use the "Print" button form your browser after clicking the "Printer Friendly Page" button.]</div>		
Weber, Andrew		Invoice 1 Invoice: PPGM D073082 Federal ID: 48-0791835 Invoice Date: 10/22/99 Claim Claim Number: 5698754821 Claim Type: Claimant Vehicle Condition: Driveable Date of Loss: 10/10/99 Adjuster: Fitzgerald, Neil Claims Office: 001		Rental Branch Location 6850 Ladue Rd. St. Louis, MO 63124-4001 314-512-0294 Total Amount: \$512.36		
RETURN TO ADJUSTER						
Crystal, Billy		Invoice 2 Invoice: PPGM D073082 Federal ID: 48-0791835 Invoice Date: 10/22/99 Claim Claim Number: 5698754821 Claim Type: Claimant Vehicle Condition: Driveable Date of Loss: 10/10/99 Adjuster: Fitzgerald, Neil Claims Office: 001		Rental Branch Location: 234 Bonhomme St. Clayton, MO 63100-2011 314-539-9899 Total Amount: \$512.36		
RETURN TO ADJUSTER						
<div><div>① Please include this reference number on your check: 567347585</div><div>② Remit to: Enterprise Rent-A-Car</div><div>③ 2 invoices Total Amount: \$536.13</div><div>④ Enter the check number for your payment here: <div></div></div><div>⑤ Send Payment to: Enterprise Rent-A-Car 6850 Ladue Rd. St. Louis, MO 63124-0001</div></div>						
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FIG. 138



Return Billing

Return Billing

You've chosen to return the following invoice.

Adjuster's Name	Renter's Name	Claim Number	Amount
Warner, Kurt	Bamvakais, John	569873451	\$271.14

Reason for return: Rental start date before date of loss

Comments:

FIG. 139

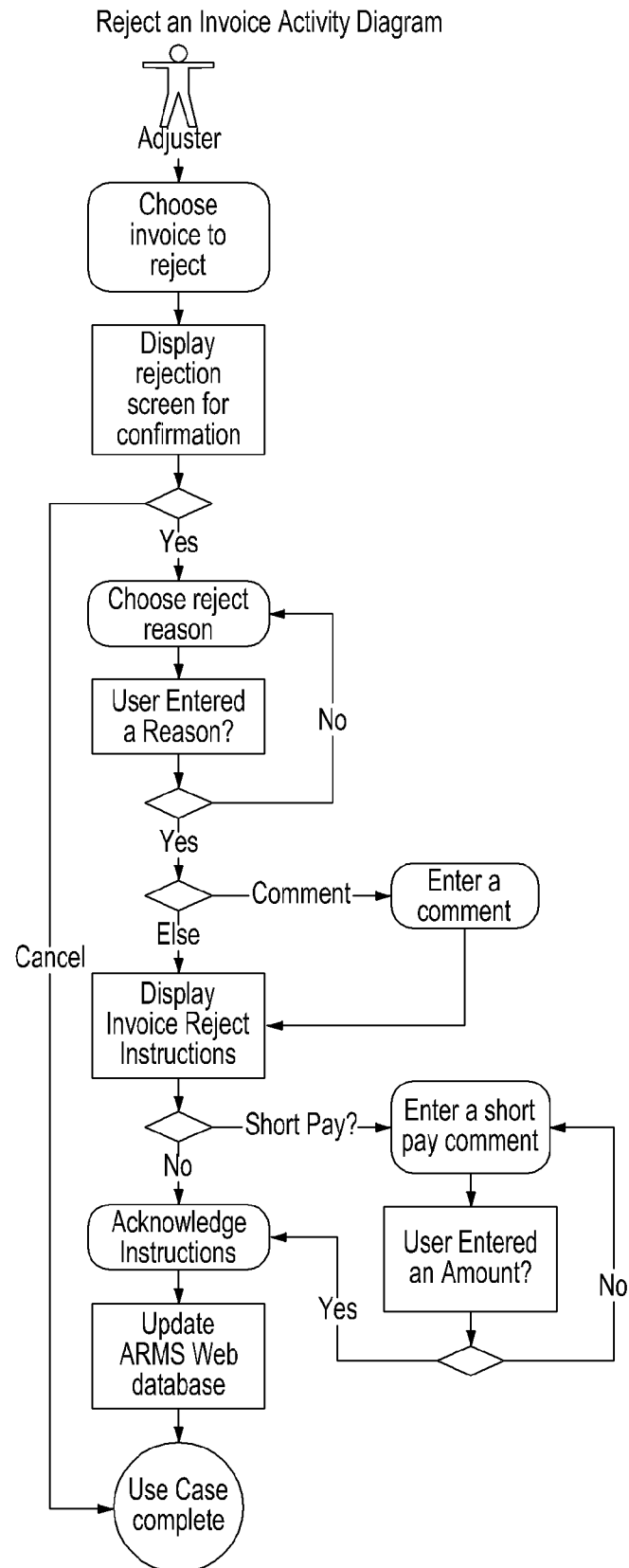

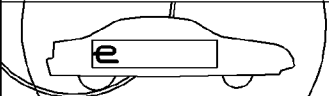


FIG. 140


Address  http://grace/armsweb/fp/Iteration_1/rejectBillingPage1.html

 Reject Billing

Reject Billing

You've chosen to reject the following invoice.

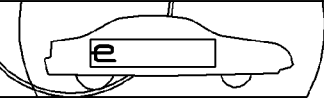
Adjuster's Name	Renter's Name	Claim Number	Amount
Warner, Kurt	Bamvakais, John	5698754821	\$271.18

Reason for rejection: 

Comments:

Enterprise goes to extreme lengths to ensure that your invoice is calculated correctly, are you sure that you would like to reject?

FIG. 141



Reject Billing

Reject Billing

You've chosen to reject the following invoice.

Adjuster's Name	Renter's Name	Claim Number	Amount
Warner, Kurt	Bamvakais, John	5698754821	\$271.18

Amount you are paying:

To complete this process, please contact the rental branch location listed below:

Enterprise Rent-A-Car
600 New Haven Rd.
Charlotte, NC 28210
704-553-2001

<< CANCEL

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FIG. 142

Callbacks Activity Diagram

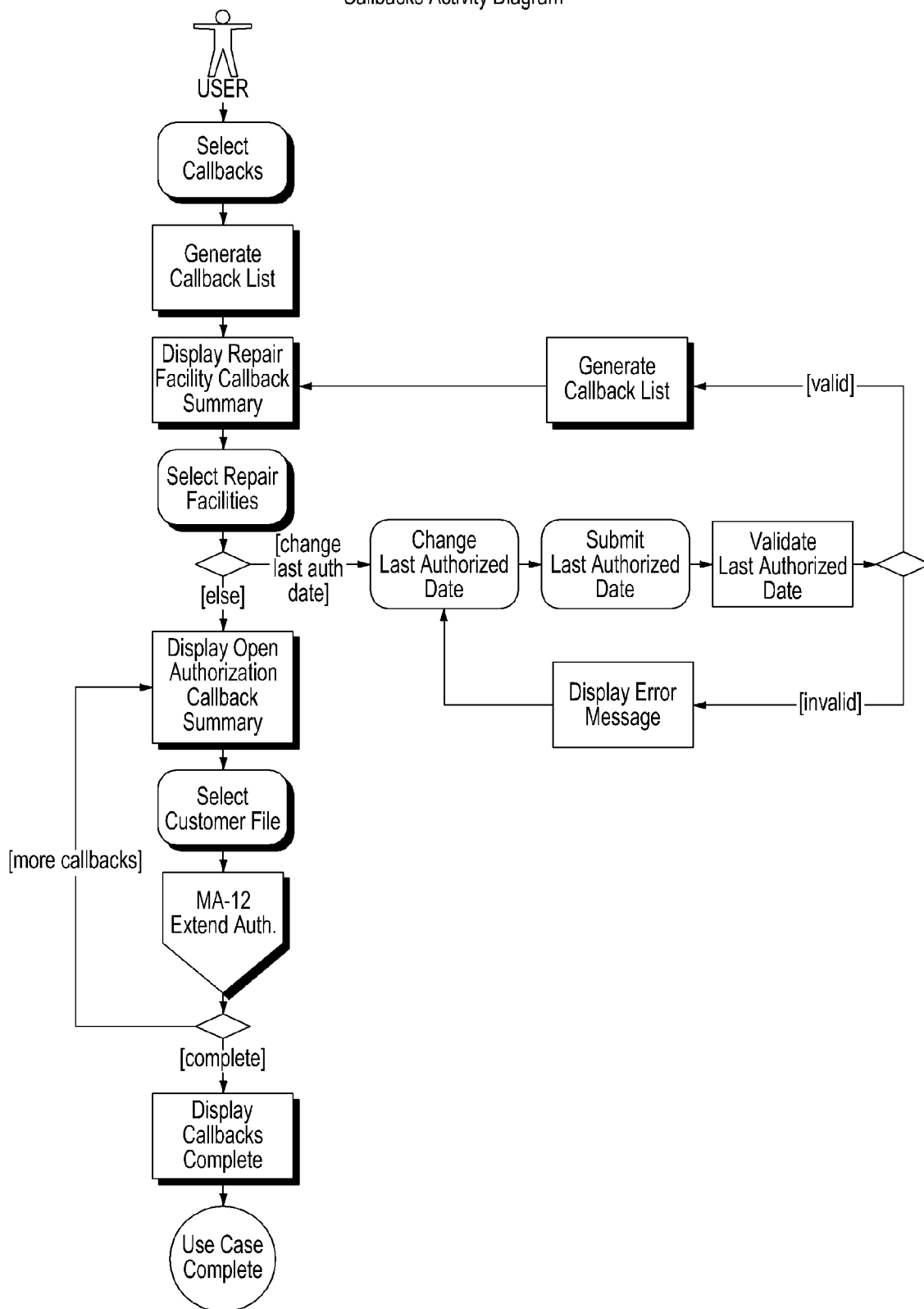


FIG. 143

<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>Bob's Autobarn</u>	333-377-2091	1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>Johnson Glass</u>	333-397-9000	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>Wagonhaus</u>	333-521-2029	2

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FIG. 144

Generate Personal Report Activity Diagram

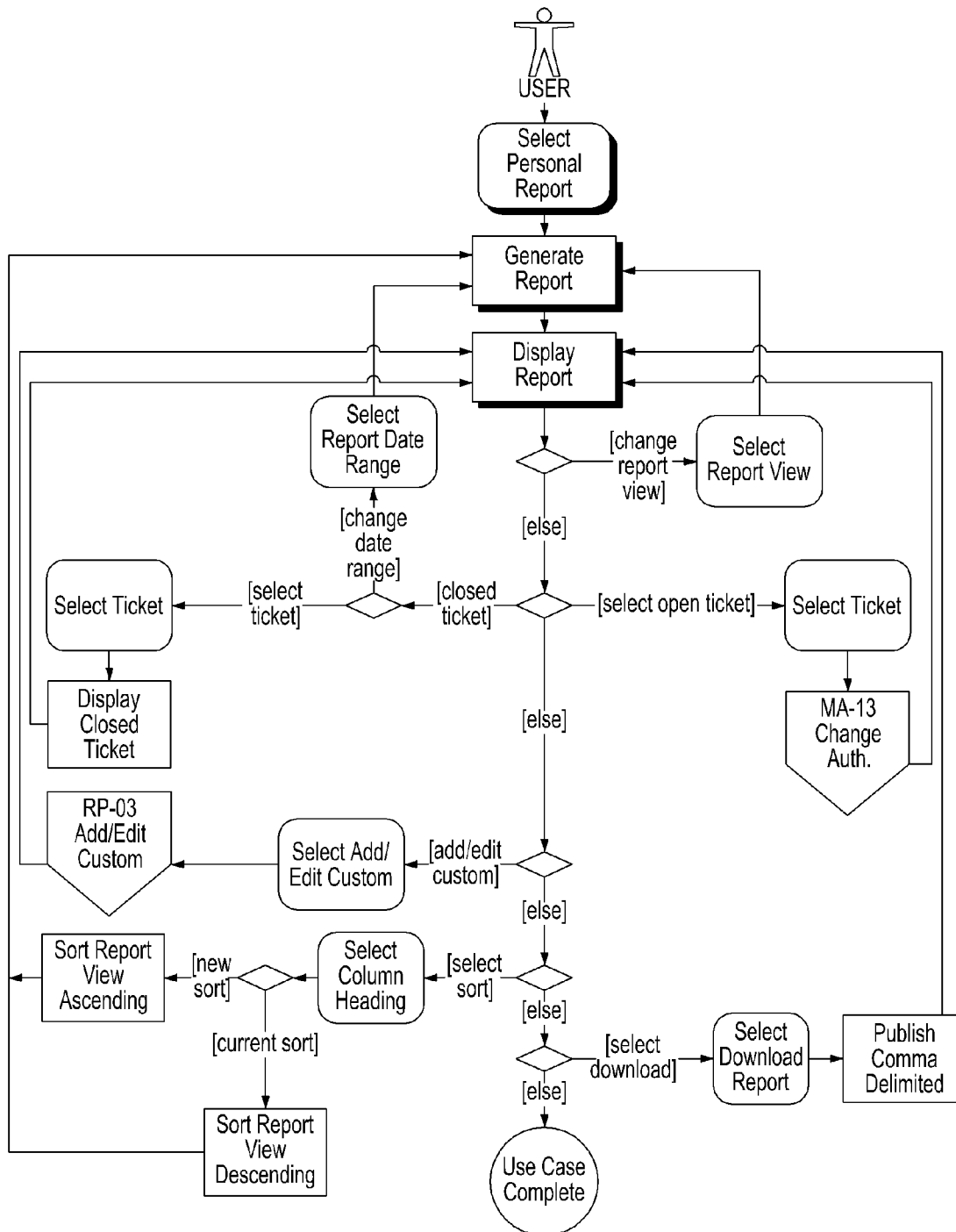
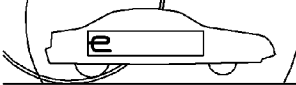


FIG. 145



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Office: 001 Handling for: Yourself

Personal Reports: for <Report By> as of <Time/Date Stamp>
 <Report Type>
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[Click on the column heading to sort] [Go to Report Averages](#)

<Column 1>	<Column 2>	<Column 3>	<Column 4>	<Column 5>	<Column 6>	<Column 7>	<Column 8>	<Column 9>	<Column 10>
1 Walker, L	12345678901234567890	Insured	15	13	1	2	20.00	YES	\$260.00
1 Oquendo, J	12345678901234567891	Insured	13	12	0	1	25.00	YES	\$300.00
Griffey Jr., K	12345678901234567890	Claimant	10	13	0	0	16.99	NO	\$220.87
McGwire, M	12345678901234567892	Uninsured	5	12	0	0	19.99	NO	\$239.88
Lankford, R	12345678901234567891	Claimant	7	15	0	0	23.99	YES	\$359.85
Jordan, B	12345678901234567891	Claimant	8	15	1	0	21.99	NO	\$329.85
Totals 6 Customer Files		Averages	7.16	13.33	.33	0.5	21.32		\$285.08

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Show Only: All Claim Types

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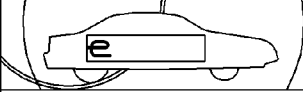
*Excludes taxes and government surcharges.

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FIG. 146



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Claims office: 003 Handling for: Yourself

Authorize Direct Bill: for Reed, Keith Claim no. 123-9829

CUSTOMER FILE

Direct Bill Requested for: Claim Number: Claim Type:

days @

Policy: Daily rate/
Maximum dollars

Direct Bill%:

Vehicle Condition:

Date of Loss:

Date Rental Needed:

Insured Name: Last: First:

Note to Enterprise:

Note to Self Only:

Messages:

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RENTER INFORMATION:
Keith Reed Home: (314)555-3876
Work: Work: N/A

RENTAL INFORMATION:
Enterprise Rent-A-Car Location: Email: N/A
ENTERPRISE RENT-A-CAR
3752 BOGEY RD
SAINT CHARLES MO 633033105
6369463010

ADDITIONAL CLAIM INFORMATION:
Insured Name: N/A Repair Facility:
Owner's vehicle: N/A N/A
Date of Loss: 9/20/00
Type of Loss:
NOTEBOOK:

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FIG. 147(a)

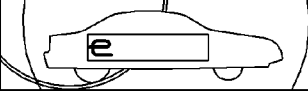

		Welcome to the Automated Rental Management System	
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Extend Rental: for Scott Clinton Claim no. 615-3456 CUSTOMER FILE		Claims office: 003 Handling for: Yourself	
1 of 1			
Extension requested for:			
<input type="text" value="3"/> additional authorized days @ <input type="text" value="Compact/20.99"/> <input type="button" value="VIEW CARS"/>		Note to Enterprise:	
Messages: Go to Notebook		Note to Self:	
Current Rental Status: Rental Start Date: 9/22/00 Last authorized ending date: 9/26/00 Authorized to date: 4 Charges to Date: \$83.96* Direct Bill %: 100		Rental Location: ENTERPRISE RENT-A-CAR (314)918-1300 Repair Facility: Owner's vehicle: Vehicle Condition: Driveable <input type="checkbox"/> Extend this rental	
*Does not include taxes and surcharges		<input type="button" value="SET LAST DAY"/> <input type="button" value="PROCESS"/>	
[Change or Add]			
RENTER INFORMATION: Scott, Clinton		Home: (314)555-2345 Work: N/A Email: N/A	
RENTAL INFORMATION: Current Class: Compact Additional Charges: None Direct Bill %: 100 Rental Date: 9/20/00 Start Date: 9/21/00		Enterprise Rent-A-Car Location: ENTERPRISE RENT-A-CAR 2229 BRENTWOOD BLVD SAINT LOUIS MO 631441832 (314)918-1300	
ADDITIONAL CLAIM INFORMATION: Claim Number: 615-3456 Claim Type: Claimant Insured Name: Owner's vehicle: Date of Loss: 9/21/00 Type of Loss: Driveable Policy: Daily rate/ Maximum dollars:		Repair Facility:	
NOTEBOOK:			
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FIG. 147(b)



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Claims office: 003 Handling for: Yourself

Personal Reports: for <Report By> as of <Time/Date Stamp>
<Report Type>
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<u>Renter Name</u>	<u>Claim Number</u>	<u>ClaimType</u>	<u>Billed Days</u>	<u>Authorized Days</u>	<u>Number of Extensions</u>	<u>Authorized Rate</u>	<u>Amount Received</u>
<u>Walker, L</u>	12345678901234567890	Insured	15	13	2	20.00	YES
<u>Oquendo, J</u>	12345678901234567891	Insured	13	12	1	25.00	YES
<u>Griffey Jr., K</u>	12345678901234567890	Claimant	10	13	0	16.99	NO
<u>McGwire, M</u>	12345678901234567892	Uninsured	5	12	0	19.99	NO
<u>Lankford, R</u>	12345678901234567891	Claimant	7	0	0	23.99	YES
<u>Jordan, B</u>	12345678901234567891	Claimant	8	15	0	21.99	NO
Totals 6 Customer Files		Averages	7.16	13.33	.33	0.5	

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view:

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FIG. 147(c)

Generate Management Report Activity Diagram

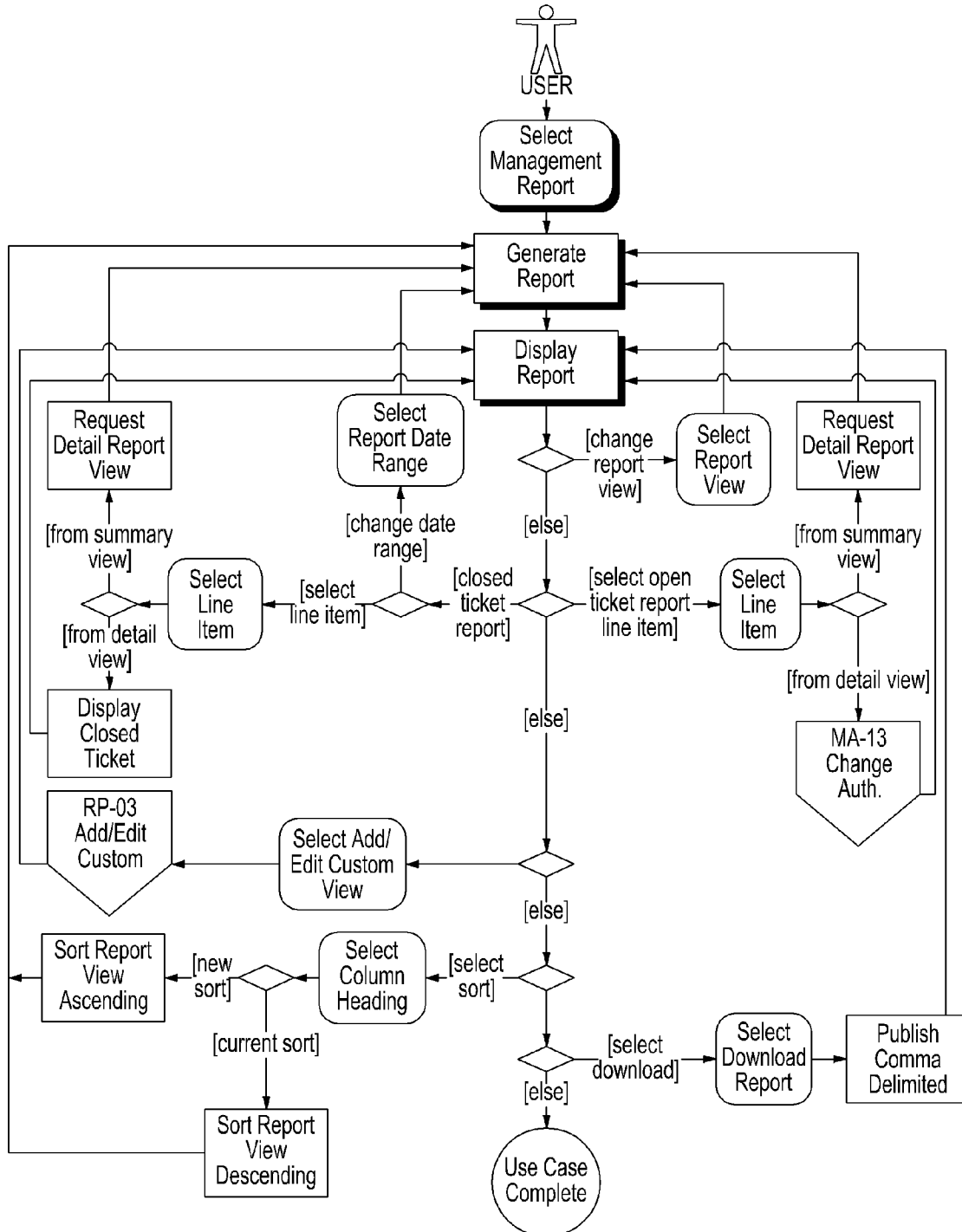



FIG. 148

	Report Sorted By											
	Adjuster				Repair Facility				Office			
	Open Detail	Open Summary	Closed Detail	Closed Summary	Open Detail	Open Summary	Closed Detail	Closed Summary	Open Detail	Open Summary	Closed Detail	Closed Summary
Adjuster Name	X	1	X	1					1		1	
Renter Name	1		1		1		1					
Claim Number	2		2		2		2		2		2	
Claim Type	3		3		3		3		3		3	2
Authorized Days*	6	5	6	5	6	5	6	5	6	5	6	5
Authorized Rate*	4	3	4	3	4	3	4	3	4	3	4	3
Rental Days*	5	4			5	4			5	4		
Billed Days*+			5	4			5	4			5	4
Days Behind*	7	6			7	6			7	6		
Number of Extensions*	8	7	7	6	8	7	7	6	8	7	7	6
Surcharges	9				9				9			
Authorized Amount*	10	8			10	8			10	8		
Amount Received*			9	8			9	8			9	8
Total Charges*			8	7			8	7			8	7
Billed Amount*			10	9			10	9			10	9
Total Contracts	X	2	X	2	X	2	X	2	X	2	X	X
Repair Facility Name					X	1	X	1				
Repair Facility Telephone					X		X					
Office Name									X	1	X	X
Month/Year												1

+ Not available in current state system. Being implemented by the ARMS Maintenance team.

FIG. 149



Welcome to the
Automated Rental Management System

[create a
RESERVATION](#)
[find a
CUSTOMER](#)

[action items](#) | [completed actions](#) | [reports](#) | [my profile](#) | [help](#)

Office: 001 Handling for: Yourself

Management Reports: for <Report By> as of <Time/Date Stamp>
<Report Type>
[Choose a different report](#)

[Click on the column heading to sort] [Go to Report Averages](#)

<Column 1>	<Column 2>	<Column 3>	<Column 4>	<Column 5>	<Column 6>	<Column 7>	<Column 8>	<Column 9>	<Column 10>
Walker, L	12345678901234567890	Insured	15	13	1	2	20.00	YES	\$260.00
Oquendo, J	12345678901234567891	Insured	13	12	0	1	25.00	YES	\$300.00
Griffey Jr., K	12345678901234567890	Claimant	10	13	0	0	16.99	NO	\$220.87
McGwire, M	12345678901234567892	Uninsured	5	12	0	0	19.99	NO	\$239.88
Lankford, R	12345678901234567891	Claimant	7	15	0	0	23.99	YES	\$359.85
Jordan, B	12345678901234567891	Claimant	8	15	1	0	21.99	NO	\$329.85
Totals 6 Customer Files		Averages	7.16	13.33	.33	0.5	21.32		\$285.08

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*Excludes taxes and government surcharges.
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Report by: Adjuster
 Select a view: Open Ticket Summary
 Show Only: All Claim Types
 For Closed Tickets, please select a time period:
 From: January 2000
 To: March 2000
VIEW REPORT

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FIG. 150

Add/Edit Custom View Activity Diagram

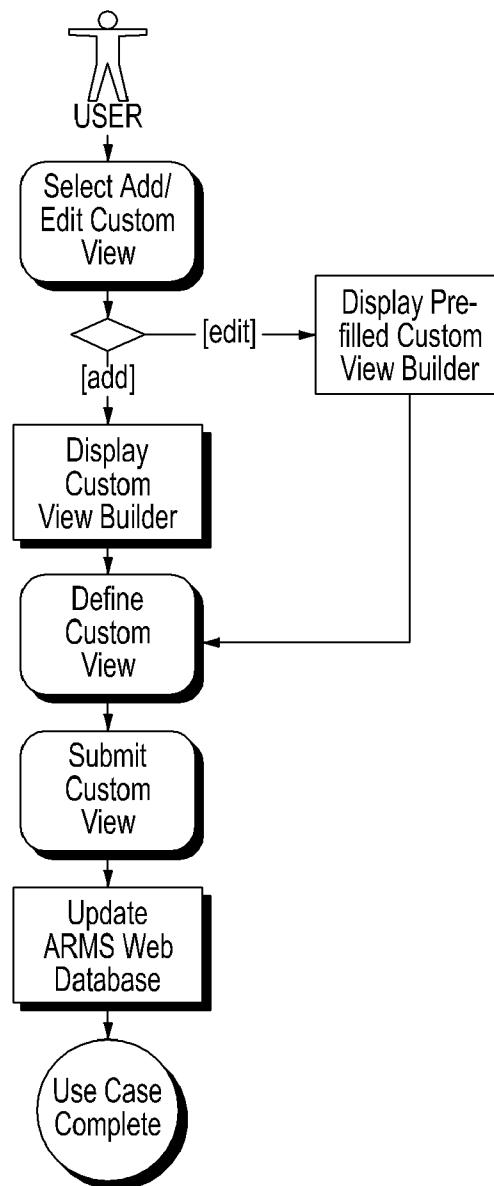



FIG. 151



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CUSTOMER

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Office: 001 Handling for: Yourself

Reports:
Add a new report view:

Name this report:

Start from a View: Closed Ticket Detail (optional)

Ticket Status: Closed Tickets

① Choose a name for your new report.

② You may choose a report view (optional).

③ Choose a ticket status.

④ Add the fields you'd like and the order you'd like to see them.

Select fields to display on report:

Available Fields

Renter Name

Claim Number

Claim Type

Billed Days

Auth. Days

Auth. Rate

Number of Extensions

Total Charges

Renter Charges

Total Billed Charges

<< REMOVE

INSERT >>

DICTIONARY

New Report Fields

Adjuster Name

Other Charges

Repair Facility

Rental Days

Renter State

Office

Rental Open Date

Rental Close Date

↑

↓

Save this report view

Close without saving

Delete this report

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FIG. 152

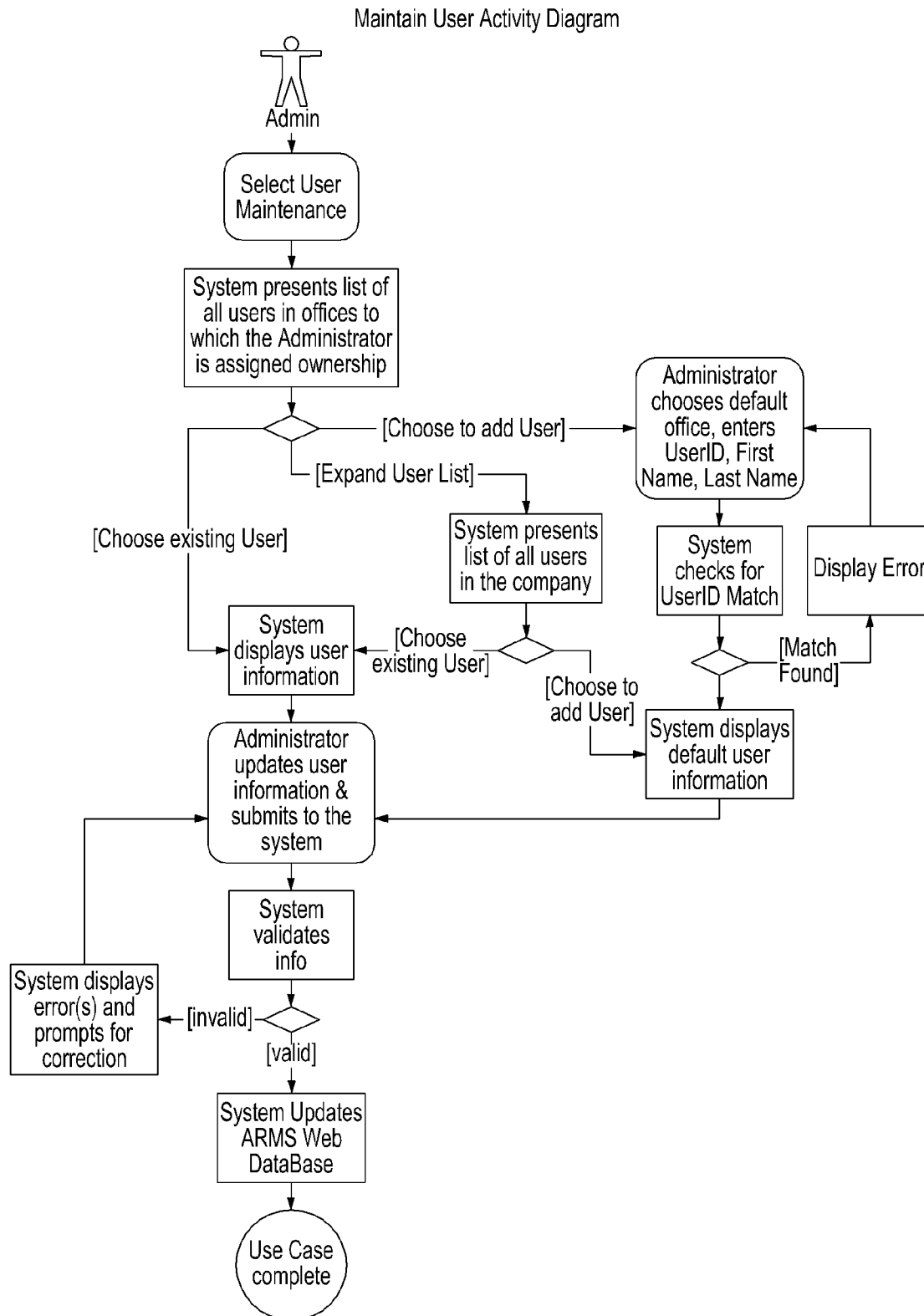


FIG. 153

The screenshot shows a web-based interface for an Automated Rental Management System. At the top, there is a header with a car icon and the text "Welcome to the Automated Rental Management System". Below this is a navigation bar with buttons for "create a RESERVATION", "find a CUSTOMER", "action items", "completed actions", "reports", "my profile", and "help". The user's current status is shown as "Claims Office: 001" and "Handling for: Yourself".


The main content area is divided into two sections. The first section is titled "Administration: MODIFY USER" and contains a link to "Create a New User/Team". Below this, there are radio buttons for "New User" (selected) and "New Team". There are four input fields: "Primary Office:" (a dropdown menu showing "Choose an Office"), "Last Name:", "First Name:", and "User ID:". A "PROCESS" button is located at the bottom right of this section.

The second section is titled "Modify/View Users" and contains a list of users with columns for "Name", "User ID", "Default Office", and "Office Description". The users are listed in a table with a scrollbar on the right. Below the table, there is a "Show Entire Company" link.

At the bottom of the interface, there are links for "Contact Us", "Terms & Conditions", and "Log Off".

Name	User ID	Default Office	Office Description
(A) Apple, Bob	NAT 3079	001	Ladue
Abram, Sue	NAT 5997	002	Ballwin
(B) Bagwell, Bob	NAT 3079	003	Manchester
Bolton, Dave	NAT 9043	001	Ladue
(C) Chester, Don	NAT 0796	002	Ballwin
(D) Dithers, Sezn	NAT 0796	002	Ballwin

FIG. 154



Welcome to the
Automated Rental Management System

[create a RESERVATION](#) [find a CUSTOMER](#) [action items](#) [completed actions](#) [reports](#) [my profile](#) [help](#)

Claims Office: 001 Handling for: Yourself

Administration:
MODIFY USER

Create a New User/Team

Create a: ☐ New User ☒ New Team

Primary Office: Team Name:

Modify/View Users

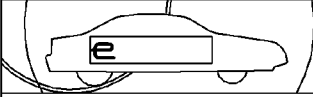
[A](#) [B](#) [C](#) [D](#) [E](#) [F](#) [G](#) [H](#) [I](#) [J](#) [K](#) [L](#) [M](#) [N](#) [O](#) [P](#) [Q](#) [R](#) [S](#) [T](#) [U](#) [V](#) [W](#) [X](#) [Y](#) [Z](#) [Teams](#)

[Show Entire Company](#)

Name	User ID	Default Office	Office Description
Ⓐ Apple, Bob	NAT 3079	001	Ladue
Abram, Sue	NAT 5997	002	Ballwin
Ⓑ Bagwell, Bob	NAT 3079	003	Manchester
Bolton, Dave	NAT 9043	001	Ladue
Ⓒ Chester, Don	NAT 0796	002	Ballwin
Ⓓ Dithers, Sezn	NAT 0796	002	Ballwin

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FIG. 155



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RESERVATION

find a
CUSTOMER

action items

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Claims Office: 001 Handling for: Yourself

Administration:
MODIFY USER

User Information: PROCESS

Last Name:

First Name:

User ID:

E-mail Address:

☒ Active

☐ Reset Password

Office:

Primary Office: Selected Office
Address: 123 Sesame Street
City: NEW YORK State/Province: NY Post Code: 12345
Phone Number: (314) 555-9856

Available Offices

001
002
003
004
005

INSERT >>
<< REMOVE

Authorized Offices
*Selected Office
* SET PRIMARY OFFICE

Authorizations:

Authorized Limits: Days/Rental
\$ Max/Rental

File Ownership:
☐ Allows files and action items to be assigned to this adjuster.

Work Authority:

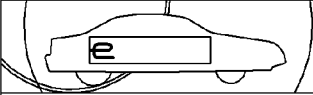
Please choose the section of ARMS this user will be able to view.

☒ Create Reservations
☒ Authorized/Extend Rentals
☒ Pay Invoice
☒ Reporting (Management)
☒ Receive Unassigned Action Items
☒ User Maintenance

PROCESS

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FIG. 156



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find a
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action items

completed actions

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my profile

help

Claims Office: 001

Handling for: Y

my profile
user admin
log off

Administration:
MODIFY TEAM

Team Information:

Team Name:

E-mail Address:

☒ Active Team

Office:

Primary Office: Chicago 012
Address: 1449 Plaza Court
City: Chicago
Phone Number: 636-896-9898

State/Province: IL

Post Code: 63144

File Ownership:

☐ Allow files and action items to be assigned to this team.

Team Members:

Available

Frank Rizzo
Phil Conners
Ned Ryerson
Regis Philbin
Rex Kramer
Jeff Everson
Doris Pickerill
David Fereday
Oderus Urungus
Flattus Maximus
Johnny B. Good
Captain Caveman

INSERT >>

<< REMOVE

Team Members

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FIG. 157

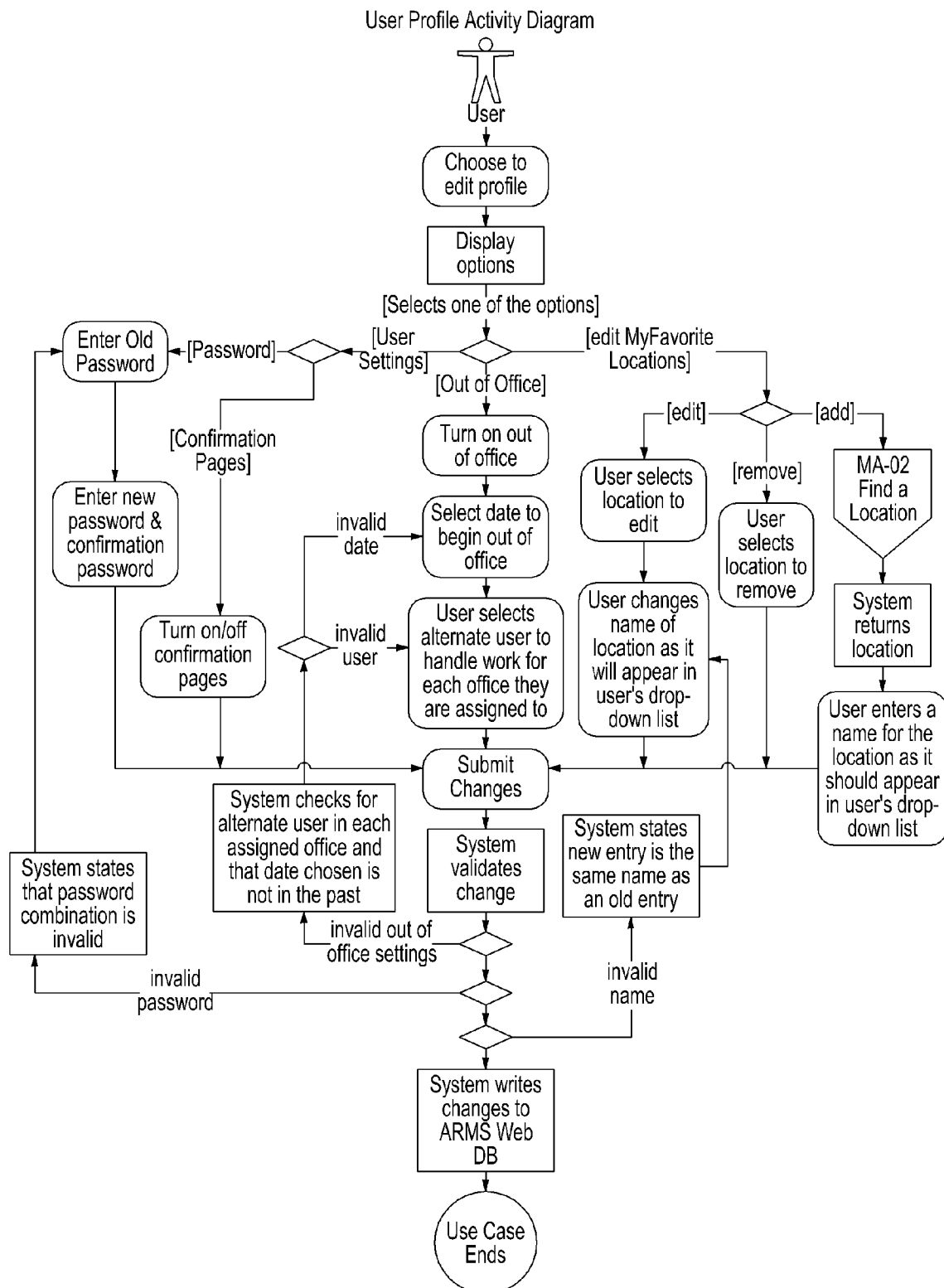
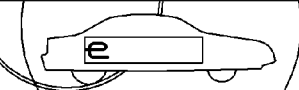


FIG. 158



Welcome to the
Automated Rental Management System

create a
RESERVATION

find a
CUSTOMER

action items

completed actions

reports

my profile

help

Office: 001 Handling for: Yourself

Administration:
My Profile


Add/Edit My Favorite List PROCESS

Name	Name	Remove This Branch	Options:
<input type="text"/>	5976 Ladue	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	① Edit or change the name of the branch.
<input type="text" value="North County"/>	4720 Ramsey	<input type="checkbox"/>	② Remove a branch by checking the box for that location.
<input type="text" value="Main Branch"/>	1776 Liberty	<input type="checkbox"/>	③ Search for a new office to add to your list.
<input type="text" value="University Area"/>	2802 Lobby Ave	<input type="checkbox"/>	

ADD A DIFFERENT OFFICE

Out of Office:

① Select feature setting
☐ On ☒ Off

② Select the date range you'll be out of the office
First Day Out: 

③ Please select an Adjuster to handle your accounts
Office: 001 Office: 002
Adjuster: Adjuster:

My Settings:

Change Password:
Old Password: ① Type in your current password.
New Password: ② Create a new password using at least six alphanumeric characters.
Confirm Password: ③ Confirm your new password.
Confirmation Page:
Show Confirmation Page? ☐ On ☒ Off

PROCESS

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FIG. 159

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EXTENDED WEB ENABLED BUSINESS TO BUSINESS COMPUTER SYSTEM FOR RENTAL VEHICLE SERVICES

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application is a continuation-in-part of Ser. No. 09/641,820, filed Aug. 18, 2000 now U.S. Pat. No. 7,275,038.

Reference to a Computer Program Listing Appendix
Submitted on Compact Disc

This application includes a computer program listed appendix submitted on a compact disc, the compact disc containing the files "Exhibit A.txt" (file created Dec. 28, 2010; file size of 316 kilobytes), "Exhibit C.txt" (file created Dec. 28, 2010; file size of 534 kilobytes), and "Exhibit D.txt" (file created Dec. 28, 2010; file size of 261 kilobytes), these files being incorporated herein by reference.

INTRODUCTION

The invention disclosed and claimed in the parent cross referenced above relates generally to the field of an Internet enabled business-to-business intelligent communication link allowing a first business organization to have intelligent interaction with a second fully integrated business organization to facilitate the placing of orders or reservations for business services or goods, with the services or goods provider having a computer network linking multiple levels of its organization to provide for the smooth conduct of business between the two organizations. More particularly, this field relates to an Internet enabled automatic rental vehicle transaction system to facilitate the conduct of rental vehicle transactions between two multilevel business organizations, one of which provides such rental vehicle transaction services in an integrated manner through business enterprise software to a high volume user of such rental vehicle services wherein an Internet web portal is defined by the rental vehicle service provider which interconnects the two business organizations at multiple levels, providing a graphical user interface (GUI) for the transaction of large amounts of rental vehicle services automatically and virtually without human intervention upon entry. The invention of the present continuation-in-part application extends the functionality of the parent invention by providing an intelligent portal that is readily configurable to suit any particular customer and any particular provider data requirements or method of doing business. This added functionality allows the invention, for example, to provide the user with access to other suppliers in the same seamless and integrated manner. In other words, the user now has access to not just one integrated business but multiple businesses, some of which may but need not be, integrated businesses thereby extending the invention for use in a generic application to satisfy a user's needs for a good or service not just from one vendor but all vendors connected to the invention.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Computer technology has been embraced by many businesses in order to handle their ever increasing order flow as well as to mitigate the increasing blizzard of paper required to be produced to document this business. A significant benefit which often drives the implementation of technology is its further advantage in increasing productivity to thereby allow fewer people to handle greater volumes of business. One such

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good example demonstrating the efficiencies and value to be gained by implementing technology is the business model developed and followed by the assignee of the present invention. A rental car company at its heart, the assignee transacts an ever increasing number of time sensitive, relatively low dollar volume, vehicle rentals which in many instances require authorizations to be made in advance, reservations of vehicles from available geographic and vehicle type selections, monitoring of the rental as it progresses including possibly extending the rental under certain circumstances, communications between the various parties involved in the transaction to ensure ultimate customer satisfaction, and financial accounting for the transaction including generating invoices and processing them for payment. While a significant portion of the vehicle rental business involves rental for leisure, business travel, etc., another significant business relationship has developed with insurance companies and the like in what has been termed as the replacement car rental service business. In this business, a vehicle insurance company may have many thousands of policyholders who are eligible to be involved in accidents, and other dislocations of use, requiring that a vehicle be rented for that customer's use while his own vehicle be made ready again for use. Thus, for this business segment, a multi-tiered business organization such as a vehicle insurance company represents a significant customer for repetitive vehicle rental services. To conduct this business in an orderly, time efficient and cost efficient manner, it is necessary that this insurance company has as its business partner a vehicle rental company which is itself multi-tiered, such as the assignee of the present invention. This is because the needs, both geographically and in volume, are significant which require the dedication of a significant amount of resources. To satisfy these needs and to respond to other business growth, in its embrace of technology the assignee hereof has succeeded in developing an in-house computer system and related software which has integrated its business internally. This business integration has been massive and company-wide as is needed to integrate a company having a central office with literally thousands of individual branches located nationally, and even now internationally, with hundreds of thousands of vehicles available for rental. Furthermore, other business partners including other service providers such as vehicle repair shops have also been given access to this system to allow for input of information relating to progress of vehicle repair, extension of rental time, etc. as the rental progresses. This integrated business computer network and software generally includes a mainframe server at the heart of a wide area network (WAN) which facilitates the transfer of vehicle rental information and orders company-wide. This integrated business model is most efficient and needed in order to satisfy the vehicle rental service needs of a vehicle insurance company which itself may be national or even international in scope.

As a first step in extending the integration of technology into this business model, the present assignee has previously developed and implemented a computer system which has provided improved communication capabilities between the two business partners. This system generally comprised a second mainframe computer linked to the first mainframe of the integrated business network, with dedicated access lines being provided from this second mainframe to various levels of the multilevel business organization comprising the insurance company. In effect, with this additional mainframe and dedicated pipeline access, various individuals at the insurance company were permitted to directly interact with the integrated business computer network of the vehicle rental company as well as other selected service providers such as

body shops where wrecked vehicles were being repaired. The implementation of this system provided a great step forward over the people intensive business activity previously required in order to handle the large number of transactions encountered in this business relationship. Historically, the replacement car market engendered large numbers of telephone calls being placed between the insurance company, the rental company, and the body shop where vehicle repair was being performed in order to authorize the rental, select and secure the desired replacement vehicle to be provided, monitor the progress of the repair work so that scheduling of the rental vehicle could be controlled, extending the vehicle rental in the event of delays in repair, authorizing various activities involved in the rental process including upgrades of vehicles or other charges for services, and subsequent billing of the rental service and processing the billing to the insurance company for payment.

While the implementation of this system was successful and represented a tremendous step forward in automating the business relationship between the insurance company and the vehicle rental company, it did have certain limitations. For example, a specific communication link had to be established between the rental vehicle company and the particular users at the insurance company designated to have access to this system. Thus, special attention and some modicum of expense was required to establish these "pipelines" and maintain them. Still another aspect to the system implemented was that it was not "browser" based nor did it provide graphical user interface (GUI) menus. Thus, each user had to be specifically trained in the particular "language" used by the system and learn to work with specific menus nested in a specific manner as well as codes for entering commands which were not similar to other computer software programs. This software design thus necessarily required additional training in order to insure that users could gain the full measure of advantage provided by the system and in order to minimize the opportunity for erroneous information or incorrect reservations from being entered or otherwise confusing the business transactions. Furthermore, user efficiency was not immediate and required skill beyond that ordinarily found in casual computer users, as we are all becoming in this computer age. Still another disadvantage to the system was that access was required to a designated entry point in the system in order for a person authorized to be on the system to work with it. As the nature of the insurance and replacement car business requires extreme mobility at multiple levels of both business partners, this represents a limitation to the usefulness and time efficiency with which various business functions could be performed. Therefore, while implementation of the second mainframe allowing for pipeline connections at various levels of the multi-tiered insurance company was a significant step forward in automating the business relationship between the two business partners, significant limitations to this solution were readily apparent to the users thereof.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

In the parent application cross-referenced above, the inventors herein have succeeded in designing and developing a means for substantially enhancing the business to business communication link between these two businesses which provide significant advantages over its prior embodiment. More particularly, the inventors have succeeded in replacing the dedicated pipeline access of the existing system with a web portal allowing Internet access to the mainframe with a browser based graphical user interface (GUI) presentation. This also made the system more readily accessible to smaller

business partners as the expense of the "pipeline" was eliminated. The parent invention offers several important technical advantages over the previous system. First of all, by taking advantage of the ubiquitous nature of the Internet, the ultimate in portability and connectivity for this system is now provided in a business environment where mobility and connectivity are at a premium. In other words, a claims adjuster, body shop, or any other business employee authorized to have access to the system may gain access at any site offering Internet access. In present day technology that includes many mobile devices and appliances which are Internet enabled. As technology advances, it is conceivable that this access will extend to permit "24/7" access by any authorized person at any geographic location. This is a marked improvement providing immediate benefit and advantage over the dedicated pipeline access of the prior art system.

A second major advantage of the parent invention is its graphical user interface. The inventors have taken full advantage of this browser based GUI to streamline and organize the presentation of information to a user to actually guide him as he interacts in doing his business. One such example is customized design of the menus such that the user is guided and directed to answer only those questions required to be answered in order to conduct the particular transaction being addressed, and further to present choices to the user for his selection to minimize the need for the user to rely on his own memory or to be familiar with complicated and specialized codes to enter data or request transaction activity. With the recent and continuing explosion of the Internet, more people are becoming familiar with browser programs and their operation through their own daily activities in their personal lives. This familiarity paves the way for easier training and quicker orientation of a new user to the present invention. For large business organizations communicating at multiple levels, this significant advantage cannot be minimized as there are large numbers of people who must be continuously trained due to the growth of the organizations, as well as the replacement of employees due to the inevitable attrition. Thus, the parent invention provides an immediate increase in worker productivity, and makes that improved efficiency available to many more workers who are not particularly skilled otherwise in computer usage.

Still another advantage provided by the parent invention is through the implementation of additional functionalities which are engendered by the browser/GUI interface. As the system is continuously used, and feedback is continuously monitored and analyzed, additional features that add value through providing management information as well as by speeding transaction activity over the system may be implemented. For example, several of these features include the ability of a user to create an on demand report for transaction activity including summaries of transactions handled by a particular user or group of users which might either be open or closed. Another example of additional functionality which improves the efficiency of a user is the ability to create a repair facility call back list which allows a user to sort existing open vehicle rental reservations by repair facility (body shop) and date such that a user is presented with the list of open reservations at a particular repair facility which can be readily handled in a single telephone call while at the same time having the system on line to implement any needed changes such as extensions of reservations, etc. Additional functionality has also been provided to speed the processing of invoicing which of course also speeds their payment and cash receipts. For example, it was found that even despite the built-in error checking and correction facilities provided to the users of the system, a repetitive pattern of mistakes involv-

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ing incorrect claim numbers was discovered. To speed the processing of these, an additional functionality was provided as an "electronic audit" known as invoice return which returns an invoice to a particular adjuster upon detection of an incorrect claim number for his human intervention and correction of the claim number. In this manner, problem invoices exhibiting one of the most common problems encountered may be readily handled within the system and in an efficient manner, instead of manually as before.

The parent invention also has as a significant advantage the ability to be further customized to meet the individual business partners' needs and desires as well as to provide additional functionality by offering additional features which become desirable upon accumulation of user data based on user experience. Furthermore, once implemented, they are immediately available system wide. While this allows for consistent usage, it is limited in the sense that all of the system users are forced to use the same menus, data definitions, etc. This is not seen as a limitation for the one-to-one business application intended to be primarily addressed by the parent invention.

Still another advantage of the parent invention is that the graphical user interface incorporates point and click interaction, using buttons and tabs to present or conceal data for the user's attention or inattention as the case may be, and provide a much more robust interaction capability through the creation of menu designs that allow for access to the most commonly needed features from any point in the menu architecture. This is to be contrasted with the prior system which consisted of a main frame character based interface while the parent invention with its GUI interface allows a user to point and click to navigate and to make selections by pull down selection, thereby reducing errors. As users become more experienced with the system, and their confidence level grows, they are much more likely to become bored and aggravated with the rigid structure of the prior system requiring them to follow along a certain menu architecture in order to complete certain tasks. On the other hand, the parent invention generally increases the interest of the user in using the system. These advantages of the parent invention over the prior interface promote employee productivity by allowing a user more control over his work which is critical in achieving savings in human resources to operate the system which is one of its main goals.

The present invention extends the parent invention and expands its capabilities and functionalities. With the present invention, a user may not only have access to its business partner, but also one or more competitors of its business partner through the same Internet portal. In this way, at least two needs are satisfied. First, the user can have access to a variety of providers to choose from where business needs or desires require. This allows the user to use a single portal and not have to sign on to a number of different portals, even should they be available. Furthermore, the user isn't troubled to learn how to access and use different portals even should they be available. Presently, not all providers are operating an Internet portal for offering their services, so by allowing business competitors to be accessible through the same portal, independent development of other portals is forestalled. This is a benefit to the operator of the main portal as it creates and maintains a competitive advantage by handling all of the order flow which creates a data base of useful information for marketing purposes. Although initially the portal services might be offered for no additional cost to a competitor, eventually a fee might be charged which would at least partially offset the cost for owning and operating the portal.

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The design of the portal is elegant and offers great flexibility for customizing not only the menus for presentation to the user, but also in the design of the data base entries needed or desired by the user and/or the competitive provider. For example, some users might not know or care about the features of a vehicle rented and so those data entries may not be provided space on the menu for the user to fill in. The data base as handled by the networked computer system then need not keep track of that data for that customer. This feature is readily accommodated by the data base programming and is conveniently implemented.

In still another aspect of the present invention, the web portal has the capability to accommodate the varying data requirements also of the various competitive providers, but also the level of their sophistication as evidenced in their respective computer systems and interface facilities. For example, the web portal may be configured to communicate the user's order to the competitive provider via email, phone, or even through a connection directly to an integrated computer system having the same or substantially the same interoperability as the integrated computer system of the assignee hereof. This capability extends to accommodating and matching the competing data requirements of the user and the competitive providers, and having the flexibility to design and implement menus that readily meet these competing needs. Furthermore, the present invention allows for changes to be implemented by simple re-programming of the web portal which minimizes the effort and enhances the "user friendly" aspect to the present invention.

Not only are these "global" improvements made available with the present invention, there are other more particularized improvements that add functionality within the operating framework of the parent invention. For example, one such improvement is the ability to "virtually" assign work groups within the user so that, for example, multiple adjusters might be made into a team with a shared work load so that all of the team members have access to the same pool of work, such as the placing of reservations for the same group of drivers. With this "virtual team" assignment capability, work groups may be readily re-assigned to match changing work loads without worrying about re-configuring hardware or internal network connections. This can be a very valuable feature to accommodate staffing issues over geographical distances that can be nation-wide, with access through the web portal to reservation facilities which are themselves nation-wide.

Still another feature is the ability to customize an individual user's authorization limits. As can be appreciated, one of the mixed blessings of providing enhanced functionality to the individual user's of any integrated computer system is that it places great power in the hands of the user which at the same time creates the potential for abuse. There have been well publicized instances of "rogue" employees making financial decisions or placing instructions which have far reaching financial consequences well beyond the intended authority of an employee, with disastrous results. With the present invention, one feature is the ability to limit the financial commitments that a user may make during any pre-selected time period. For example, the user's profile may limit his ability to make only a certain dollar limit of vehicle reservations over any certain number of work days. In this way, added safe guards may be conveniently provided, monitored by reporting capabilities, and changes as circumstances warrant, all with simple programming changes at the web portal.

There are still other features that are provided by the present invention that find their genesis in the different approach taken over the parent invention and owing to the inherent increased flexibility of using a web based program-

ming for the web portal to interface between the user and the providers on the web server and eliminating the need for any custom software on the user's terminal. The details of these are to be found and described in the detailed description of the preferred embodiment below. Examples include the ability to send confirmatory communications to the user that the reservation has been received and entered into the provider's system for fulfillment, custom report design including the capability to save and re-generate the custom report upon user command, increased flexibility to process and pay invoices, etc.

While the principal advantages and features of the invention have been discussed above, a greater understanding of the invention including a fuller description of its other advantages and features may be attained by referring to the drawings and the detailed description of the preferred embodiment which follow.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

FIG. 1 is a schematic diagram of the computer systems comprising the parent invention;

FIG. 2 is a flow chart of the software programs which communicate over the computer systems of FIG. 1 to implement the parent invention; and

FIG. 3 is a schematic diagram of the computer systems comprising the present invention.

FIGS. 4-91 are flow diagrams for software resident on the mainframe AS/400 computer 32 as described in Exhibits B and C.

FIGS. 92-159 are a series of flow diagrams and screenshots for the ARMS/WEB application software resident on servers 70 as described in Exhibit E.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT

The overall system architecture for the parent invention 20 is best shown in FIG. 1. As shown therein, an insurance company computer system 22, which itself may be virtually any computer configuration or even a stand alone PC accesses the Internet 24 through any convenient access point 26 such as even including an ISP (Internet service provider), as known in the art. Also connected to the Internet 24 is a web portal 28 which is preferably provided by a server appropriately programmed as explained herein below. This web portal 28 may be appropriately configured as desired to suit any particular business relationship or arrangement, although preferably the inventors herein and assignee of this invention have determined that a 24/7 or full time connection to the Internet 24 is preferable, except for scheduled downtimes for maintenance, etc. The service provider 30 which for purposes of explaining the parent preferred embodiment is preferably a vehicle rental organization, has itself an Internet portal mainframe 32 connected by a bi-directional communication link 34 to a second computer network 36 which may itself preferably have a mainframe server 38. This second computer system 36 is preferably a network having a database 40 for communication with what may be thousands of branch offices each of which has its own computer interface 44 which communicates to this second mainframe server 38 to conduct the integrated business functions of a service provider organization. Instead of communicating with the branch offices directly, a reservation may be communicated to a centralized location for further processing, such as a call center, and then relayed on to an appropriate branch office. This might be desirable under certain circumstances, such as if a branch office is closed, or

when a purchaser requires some specialized service such as close monitoring of the rental. This may be done electronically and automatically, or with human intervention.

It should be noted that the particular computer configuration chosen as the preferred embodiment of the parent invention may itself be subject to wide variation. Furthermore, the term "mainframe" as used herein refers solely to a computer which can provide large scale processing of large numbers of transactions in a timely enough manner to suit the particular business application. Preferably, as is presently used by the assignee hereof, an IBM AS/400 mainframe computer is used as each of computers 32, 38. However, as is well known in the art, computer technology is subject to rapid change and it is difficult if not impossible to predict how these computer systems may evolve as technology advances in this art. For example, it is not beyond the realm of possibility that in the not so distant future a network of computers would provide the processing power to conduct these business operations as presently handled by "mainframe" computers. Thus, the term "mainframe" is not used in a limiting sense but merely to indicate that it is descriptive of a computer suited to handle the processing needs for a large scale business application.

It should also be noted that the communication link 46 extending between the server 42 and each of the branch offices 44 may have alternative configurations. For example, in some applications access over the Internet may itself be adequate, recognizing the vagaries of Internet service availability, reliability, and processing speed. Alternatively, this communication link 46 could well be a dedicated pipeline providing broadband service connection full time with back up connections to ensure continuous communication between a particular branch office or groups of branch offices and the service providers business operations computer system 36. Some branch offices might even be served through satellite links. Indeed, it is even possible that a mixture of these wide variations of service level be present within a single organization's structure depending upon communication link cost and availability balanced against service needs. It should merely be noted for present purposes that this communication link 46 serves as the electronic umbilical cord through which branch offices 44 communicate with the business computer system 36 of the present invention.

Attached hereto as exhibits are functional descriptions of the software programs resident on the computers comprising the two computer systems 32, 38 which implement the parent invention. More particularly, attached hereto as Exhibit A is a functional description of the software to implement the integrated business functions resident on the AS/400 or mainframe computer 38. Attached hereto as Exhibits B and C are related flow diagrams (see FIGS. 4-91 of Exhibit B) and explanatory text, respectively, for the software resident on the mainframe AS/400 computer 32. Attached hereto as Exhibit D is a functional description of the software resident on computer 32 but which also appears on the server 28 which creates the web portal for access to the mainframe 32 and its resident program. Server 28 may use a bi-directional GUI to character based interface translator program, well known to those skilled in the art, to present the displays and information obtained and transmitted between the user and the computer 32. However, the software of Exhibit D could also be run on server 28, as would be appreciated by those of skill in the art. It is believed that these functional descriptions and accompanying text as exemplified in these exhibits are adequate to enable an ordinary programmer to implement corresponding software programs for executing the preferred embodiment of the parent invention using ordinary programming skills and without inventive effort.

As a further example of the flow of data and the functional advantages provided by the parent invention, reference is made to FIG. 2. As shown therein, a right hand column is identified as "ECARS" which represents the integrated business software implemented as part of the mainframe operation 38 in computer network 36. The center column headed "ARMS" is resident on mainframe computer 32 and coordinates the communication of data. The left column headed "ARMS/WEB" represents the software resident on computer but which is presented on server 28 and accessible by users through the Internet. Along the left side of FIG. 2 are designated three separate sections of operational activity. These are "reservation" followed by "open" and concluded by "close". Generally, the functional descriptions are arranged in chronological order proceeding from the top of FIG. 2 to the bottom. However, some functional features are permitted throughout the entirety of one of the three periods designated at the left side of FIG. 2. One such example is the "message" function which allows messages to be sent between users at one business organization 22 and branch offices 44 and others connected to the other business organization 30. Proceeding with a description of the transaction, the first set of communications allow for the reservation of the services. These can include requests for authorization or a rescind authorization request to be sent from the service provider to the service purchaser. Correspondingly, authorizations and authorization cancels can be sent from the services purchaser to the services provider. Confirmations are communicated upon confirmation of an authorized reservation request. Authorization changes may be made and communicated from the services purchaser to the service provider. Corresponding rental transaction changes may be communicated from the services provider to the services purchaser. As indicated, through the entirety of this process messages may be sent between users and others connected or having access to the integrated business software, as desired. The consummation of this portion of the transaction is a reservation that has been placed, authorized, confirmed, and provision is made for changes as necessary. During the next phase of the transaction, a reservation is opened and services intended to be provided are started. Generally, and preferably for the rental of vehicles, a start and end date are established in the reservation process. However, along the way, transactional changes may be made, such as for changing the type of vehicle provided, extensions may be requested and entered from either business partner, messages may be transmitted between the business partners, and the transaction may be terminated such as by voiding the contract by one business partner or terminating the authority by the other business partner. The term "reservation" has been used herein to refer not only to the act of placing the order but also to filling the order for services including providing the rental vehicle to the ultimate user and even invoicing for those services.

The last phase of the process involves closing the transaction. During this phase of the transaction, the contract is indicated as being closed and invoiced, the services purchaser can approve invoices, reject invoices, and also remit invoices. Such invoice remittance may also include the actual transfer of funds through an electronic funds transfer medium, or otherwise as previously arranged between the business partners.

It should be understood that this is a streamlined description of the handling of a transaction, and by no means is exhaustive. For example, much more functionality is available to the user including accessing the data base to generate production reports regarding status of open or closed reservations, preparing action item lists to allow a user to organize

and prioritize his work, obtaining information available in the system from having been entered by others which would otherwise require phone conversations which are inefficient and occupy still another person's time. A more detailed explanation of the functionality provided is found in the exhibits.

In summary, the parent invention creates almost an illusion that the services purchaser, and the great number of users at various levels of the multi-tier purchaser users, are actually part of the services provider organization in that immediate online access is provided to significant data which enable the user to make reservations for services, monitor those services as they are being provided, communicate with those providing the services, obtain information relating to the status of services as they are being provided, and close transactions, all by interacting with the services provider business organization over that user's PC and without human interaction required by the business providers personnel. By way of contra-distinction, for many years business has been conducted on a human level by customers picking up the telephone and calling services providers and talking to their human counterparts in order to convey information, place orders, monitor orders, including obtaining information as to status, canceling orders, questioning invoices and paying invoices, along with a myriad of other related interactions. Not only did the conduct of business in this manner entail significant amounts of human resources at both ends of the transaction, but it also led to inefficiencies, mistakes and delays all of which increase the cost of doing business and contribute to an increased risk of services being rendered in an unsatisfactory manner in many instances to the end user. The parent invention has taken the preexisting solution of providing electronic communication between the business partners to another level by "web enabling" this system for improved connectivity, improved usability, reduced training, enhanced mobility, and other advantages as described herein.

A schematic diagram of the present invention is shown in FIG. 3 and includes three levels of architecture. As shown in the first level of the architecture 50, a user 52 such as an insurance company or other user has access through the Internet 54 to the computer system comprising and incorporating the present invention. An Internet provider provides a link 56 through which Internet connections may be made to communicate with the further described system. For convenience, this Internet connection may be considered as an Internet site or portal in that a user enters a URL and arrives at this connection. A firewall 58 as is known in the art is used for security purposes and to prevent hackers and the like from unauthorized access to the system. A first set of servers 60 are interconnected in a network 62 and may preferably include an ancillary server 64 for running load balancing software or the like to balance the load and provide redundancy amongst what may be a plurality of web servers 60. These web servers 60 may preferably be Sun Microsystem servers running Apache web server software, or other such suitable software as would be well known to those of ordinary skill in the art. This first web server network of servers 60, 62 process the random and disorderly communications flowing to and from this system and the Internet before passing them through a firewall 66 as a further precautionary measure. This first layer of architecture, identified as the Internet space/DMZ layer provides a secure interface and creates order out of the chaos of communications flowing between the system and others, as will be described.

The next layer of architecture 68 is noted in the figure as the "Enterprise private network" and is comprised of a plurality of servers 70 network connected with a network connection 72. Again, although the choice of hardware, is not considered

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critical by the inventors hereof, Sun Microsystem's server/work station hardware is preferably used to provide the platform for running the application software for processing the various rental vehicle transactions, as will now be explained. Attached hereto as Exhibit E are a series of functional design specifications for the ARMS/WEB application software resident on servers 70 and which provide the detailed description of the operational features of the software and system. With these functional design specifications for the individual modules, it would be readily apparent to those of ordinary skill in the art that programmers of ordinary skill would be able to write software to execute these functional specifications without using inventive effort. Furthermore, the details of this implementation are not considered to provide any aspect of the best mode for carrying out the invention which is defined by the claims below. Generally, the ARMS/WEB application software permits a user to sign on and, when recognized, provides the series of menus presenting choices for the user to indicate the parameters for his reservation. A plethora of information is provided and accessible to the user through the various menus provided from which the user selects and enters data to process the reservation. An important feature of the ARMS/WEB application software is that it provides the user the opportunity to select to place his vehicle rental reservation not only with the integrated business computer system represented by the third level of architecture 74, described below, but also to route the reservation information back through the first architectural level 50 and into the Internet 54 for transmission to a competitive service provider 76. Although the interconnection is depicted in FIG. 3 as being made through the Internet 54, the network of servers 70 configured in accordance with the ARMS/WEB application software may utilize virtually any electronic means for transmitting the reservation information to a competitive services provider 76. These include email, automated telephone, facsimile, and other forms of electronic communication. Of course, the competitive services provider 76 may itself comprise an integrated business such that the level of interconnectivity provided to the user 52 may parallel that disclosed and described in connection with the integrated services provider system of the present invention as well as the parent invention. This integrated business capability is represented as the third level 74 of the architectural topography shown in FIG. 3 which parallels portions of that shown in FIG. 1 in that a pair of network mainframe computers, such as AS/400's 78, 80 may process reservations to and from various branch offices 82 which are geographically diverse.

With the present invention, the Internet portal provided by the ARMS/WEB network configured servers 70 provide an Internet portal for communication with not only the integrated computer enabled business system of the resident services provider, but also a portal for placing reservations to other competitive services provider 76. Thus, the user 52 enjoys the capability of accessing multiple service providers for competitive services through a single Internet connection using a single set of protocols, menus, etc. for the conduct of this business activity. Furthermore, the software configured network of servers 70 is readily configured in Web Logic to adapt to changing user requirements, data requirements, unique competitive service provider requirements, and other upgrades or modifications in a convenient manner by simply modifying the software resident therein. No special browser software of other interface software is required by the user and any special interconnecting software or server/hardware requirements may be satisfied as between the service providers such that the user is presented with a seamless interconnection. As the present invention is configured and works well

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with the integrated business and computer systems as disclosed herein, it is anticipated that such interconnection and usability may be readily translated to any other such integrated computer system as might be found in other competitive service providers, as would be apparent to those of ordinary skill in the art. Thus, with the present invention, a user is provided with Internet access through a single portal to a plurality of service providers and, to the extent possible, to their integrated computer business systems.

Various changes and modifications to the preferred embodiment as explained herein would be envisioned by those of skill in the art. Examples of these changes and modifications include the utilization of computer systems configured in any one of a myriad of ways using present technology alone. For example, mobile computers are presently available and wireless technology could be used to extend the integrated business network of the services provider, as well as match the mobility needed by the various users connected to and using the present invention. The particular software, and various aspects and features of its design, have been adapted for particular application to the vehicle rental business. Of course, computer software applications satisfying other business needs would necessarily require adaptation to their particular business models. Thus, it is envisioned by the inventors herein that the various software programs described herein would be matched to the particular business application to which the invention is utilized. These and other aspects of the preferred embodiment should not be viewed as limiting and instead be considered merely as illustrative of an example of the practical implementation of the present invention. These changes and modifications should be considered as part of the invention and the invention should be considered as limited only by the scope of the claims appended hereto and their legal equivalents.

EXHIBIT A

See the file "Exhibit A.txt" submitted on the incorporated compact disc.

EXHIBIT B

See FIGS. 4-91.

EXHIBIT C

See the file "Exhibit C.txt" submitted on the incorporated compact disc.

EXHIBIT D

See the file "Exhibit D.txt" submitted on the incorporated compact disc.

EXHIBIT E

What is claimed is:

1. An Internet-enabled rental vehicle reservation management system, the system comprising:

an Internet web portal in communication with the Internet, wherein the Internet web portal is configured for access by an authorized purchaser computer via the Internet to provide a user of the authorized purchaser computer with an ability to book a rental vehicle reservation with any of a plurality of competitive rental vehicle service providers, wherein the Internet web portal is further configured to provide a plurality of graphical user interface (GUI) menus to the authorized purchaser computer for display thereon, wherein at least one of the GUI menus is configured to accept a selection by the user as to which one of the plurality of competitive rental vehicle service providers that a rental vehicle reservation is to be booked with, and wherein the Internet web

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portal is further configured to transmit the rental vehicle reservation to the selected one of the competitive rental vehicle service providers;
 a computer network operated by one of the competitive rental vehicle service providers, the computer network being in communication with the Internet web portal, the computer network comprising a mainframe that is configured to execute a rental vehicle software program;
 wherein at least one of the GUI menus is configured to interface a user of the authorized purchaser computer with the rental vehicle software program; and
 wherein the rental vehicle software program is configured to (1) automatically book, in response to input from the user, a rental vehicle reservation with the competitive rental vehicle service provider that operates the computer network without human intervention on the part of personnel of the competitive rental vehicle service provider that operates the computer network and (2) manage the booked rental vehicle reservation in response to input from the user.

2. The system of claim 1 wherein the mainframe comprises a first mainframe, and wherein the computer network further comprises:

a second mainframe in communication with the first mainframe;

a database in which rental vehicle reservation data is stored, wherein the database is in communication with the second mainframe; and

a plurality of branch office computers of the competitive rental vehicle service provider that operates the computer network, wherein the plurality of branch office computers are in communication with the second mainframe; and

wherein the second mainframe is configured to execute a software program for access by the branch office computers to fulfill rental vehicle reservations that are stored within the database and that were booked and managed by the rental vehicle software program in response to input from the user.

3. The system of claim 2 wherein the Internet web portal is further configured to transmit a rental vehicle reservation to a different one of the selected competitive rental vehicle service providers via email over the Internet.

4. The system of claim 2 wherein the Internet web portal is further configured to transmit a rental vehicle reservation to a different one of the selected competitive rental vehicle service providers via phone.

5. The system of claim 2 wherein the Internet web portal is further configured to transmit a rental vehicle reservation to a different one of the selected competitive rental vehicle service providers via facsimile.

6. The system of claim 2 further comprising a second one of the computer networks, wherein the second one of the computer networks is operated by a different one of the competitive rental vehicle service providers.

7. The system of claim 2 wherein the Internet web portal is configured for access by a plurality of authorized purchaser computers, and wherein the Internet web portal is further configured to customize the GUI menus on a per authorized purchaser computer user basis.

8. The system of claim 2 wherein the Internet web portal is configured to provide a user of the authorized purchaser computer with a single set of GUI menus for booking a rental vehicle reservation with all of the competitive rental vehicle service providers.

9. The system of claim 8 wherein the Internet web portal is further configured to accommodate a plurality of varying data

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requirements for rental vehicle reservations with the competitive rental vehicle service providers.

10. The system of claim 2 wherein the rental vehicle software program is further configured to support a plurality of management functions by the user for a rental vehicle reservation, the management functions comprising a rental vehicle reservation extension by the user, an authorization by the user of a request for a rental vehicle reservation extension requested by someone other than the user, an authorization by the user for a rental vehicle reservation booked by someone other than the user, and a change in rental vehicle reservation authorization by the user.

11. The system of claim 10 wherein the Internet web portal is configured for access by a plurality of authorized purchaser computers belonging to a common business organization, and wherein the Internet web portal is further configured to provide a GUI menu for display on the authorized purchaser computers that presents each user with an action item list that identifies a plurality of management function actions for rental vehicle reservations that have been assigned to the user, and wherein the Internet web portal is further configured to create a plurality of workgroups of users, wherein each workgroup shares a workload of management function actions.

12. The system of claim 2 wherein the Internet web portal is configured for access by a plurality of authorized purchaser computers, and wherein the Internet web portal is further configured to assign each user of the authorized purchaser computers with an authorization limit that limits an extent of functionality available to each user when managing a rental vehicle reservation through the rental vehicle software program.

13. The system of claim 12 wherein the authorization limit includes a financial commitment dollar limit that a user can make on rental vehicle reservations over a specified time period.

14. The system of claim 2 further comprising a layer of computer architecture that interconnects the Internet web portal with the Internet, the computer architecture layer comprising a plurality of networked servers and a firewall, wherein the firewall connects the Internet web portal with the plurality of networked servers, and wherein the plurality of networked servers are configured to provide order to data communications to and from the Internet.

15. The system of claim 14 wherein the firewall comprises a first firewall, and wherein the first architecture layer comprises a second firewall that connects the plurality of networked servers to the Internet.

16. The system of claim 15 wherein the Internet web portal comprises a plurality of networked web servers within a second computer architecture layer.

17. The system of claim 1 further comprising a second one of the computer networks, wherein the second one of the computer networks is operated by a different one of the competitive rental vehicle service providers.

18. A method for creating and managing a plurality of rental vehicle reservations, the method comprising:

providing an Internet web portal in communication with an authorized purchaser computer via the Internet;

providing a user of the authorized purchaser computer with an option through the Internet web portal to select a rental vehicle service provider with which to book a rental vehicle reservation from among a plurality of competitive rental vehicle service providers, wherein at least one of the competitive rental vehicle service providers maintains a computer network in communication with the Internet web portal, wherein the computer network comprises a rental vehicle software program;

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in response to a selection by the user of a competitive rental vehicle service provider that maintains the computer network, (1) interfacing the user with the rental vehicle software program via a plurality of graphical user interface (GUI) menus that are displayed on the authorized purchaser computer, (2) receiving input at the Internet web portal from the user through the GUI menus, (3) in response to the received input, providing a series of commands to the rental vehicle software program, and (4) executing the rental vehicle software program in response to the series of commands to thereby (a) automatically book a rental vehicle reservation with the competitive rental vehicle service provider that maintains the computer network without human intervention on the part of personnel of the competitive rental vehicle service provider that maintains the computer network and (b) manage the booked rental vehicle reservation; and in response to a selection by the user of a different competitive rental vehicle service provider, transmitting a rental vehicle reservation from the user to the selected different competitive rental vehicle service provider through the Internet web portal.

19. The method of claim 18 wherein the rental vehicle reservation comprises a replacement rental vehicle reservation.

20. The method of claim 19 wherein the authorized purchaser comprises business organization that books and manages replacement rental vehicle reservations on behalf of a plurality of third party renters.

21. The method of claim 20 wherein the business organization comprises an insurance company.

22. The method of claim 21 wherein the user comprises an insurance adjuster.

23. The method of claim 21 wherein the computer network further comprises a first mainframe that executes the rental vehicle reservation software program, a second mainframe in communication with the first mainframe, and a plurality of branch office computers within a plurality of branch offices of the competitive rental vehicle service provider that maintains the computer network, wherein the plurality of branch office computers are in communication with the second mainframe; the method further comprising:

executing software resident on the second mainframe to (1) retrieve a rental vehicle reservation booked and managed through the rental vehicle software program and (2) process the retrieved rental vehicle reservation for fulfillment at one of the branch offices when the third party picks up a rental vehicle in accordance with the rental vehicle reservation.

24. The method of claim 23 wherein the transmitting step comprises transmitting a rental vehicle reservation from the user to the selected different competitive rental vehicle service provider through the Internet web portal via email over the Internet.

25. The method of claim 23 wherein the transmitting step comprises transmitting a rental vehicle reservation from the user to the selected different competitive rental vehicle service provider through the Internet web portal via phone.

26. The method of claim 23 wherein the transmitting step comprises transmitting a rental vehicle reservation from the user to the selected different competitive rental vehicle service provider through the Internet web portal via facsimile.

27. The method of claim 23 wherein computer network comprises a first computer network, and wherein the selected different competitive rental vehicle service provider also maintains its own computer network with the same functionality as the first computer network such that the user can also

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book and manage a rental vehicle reservation with the selected different competitive rental vehicle service provider through a rental vehicle software program maintained by the selected different competitive rental vehicle service provider.

28. The method of claim 23 wherein the Internet web portal is in communication with a plurality of different authorized purchaser computers, wherein the option providing step comprises providing the option to the users of the different authorized purchaser computers, and wherein the method further comprises:

customizing the GUI menus on a per user basis.

29. The method of claim 28 wherein the users comprise users from different insurance companies.

30. The method of claim 23 further comprising:

providing the user with a single set of GUI menus through the Internet web portal for booking a rental vehicle reservation with all of the competitive rental vehicle service providers.

31. The method of claim 30 further comprising:

accommodating through the Internet web portal a plurality of varying data requirements for rental vehicle reservations with the competitive rental vehicle service providers.

32. The method of claim 23 wherein the rental vehicle software program executing step comprises performing a plurality of user-specified management functions for a plurality of rental vehicle reservations, the user-specified management functions comprising a rental vehicle reservation extension by the user, an authorization by the user of a request for a rental vehicle reservation extension requested by someone other than the user, an authorization by the user for a rental vehicle reservation booked by someone other than the user, and a change in rental vehicle reservation authorization by the user.

33. The method of claim 32 wherein the Internet web portal is configured for access by a plurality of authorized purchaser computers belonging to a common business organization, the method further comprising:

creating and administering a plurality of workgroups, wherein each workgroup comprises a plurality of users, and wherein each workgroup shares a workload of management functions for rental vehicle reservations among its users; and

providing a GUI menu for display on the authorized purchaser computers through the Internet web portal that presents each user with an action item list that identifies a plurality of management function actions for rental vehicle reservations that have been assigned to the user's workgroup.

34. The method of claim 23 wherein the Internet web portal is configured for access by a plurality of authorized purchaser computers, the method further comprising:

assigning each user of the authorized purchaser computers with an authorization limit that limits an extent of functionality available to each user when managing a rental vehicle reservation through the rental vehicle software program.

35. The method of claim 34 wherein the authorization limit assigning step comprises imposing a financial commitment dollar limit that a user can make on rental vehicle reservations over a specified time period.

36. The method of claim 23 wherein the Internet web portal is maintained by the same competitive rental vehicle service provider that maintains the computer network.

37. The method of claim 36 further comprising:

positioning the Internet web portal behind a firewall maintained by the same competitive rental vehicle service

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provider that maintains the computer network, wherein the Internet web portal is in communication with the Internet via the firewall.

38. The method of claim **23** further comprising:

providing a layer of computer architecture that interconnects the Internet web portal with the Internet, the computer architecture layer comprising a plurality of networked servers and a firewall, wherein the firewall connects the Internet web portal with the plurality of networked servers, and wherein the plurality of networked servers are configured to provide order to data communications to and from the Internet.

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39. The method of claim **38** wherein the computer architecture layer and the Internet web portal are maintained by the same competitive rental vehicle service provider that maintains the computer network.

40. The method of claim **39** wherein computer architecture layer providing step further comprises providing another firewall, the another firewall connecting the plurality of networked servers to the Internet.

41. The method of claim **39** wherein the Internet web portal providing step comprises a configuring a plurality of networked web servers to serve as the Internet web portal.

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