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TITLE OF INVENTION

54	SYSTEM, METHOD AND DEVICE FOR TIME-OF-USE METERING

57	The invention relates to a time-of-use metering system 10, method and a utility meter interface device 12, more particularly to a time-of-use metering system, method and utility meter interface device for a pre-paid utility, enabling remote, near real-time and secure pre-paid utility time-of-use metering within a low-power wide-area network 100 by means of a back end 24 comprising a business intelligence module for calculating a charge based on utility usage as received from a utility meter interface device 12 in communication with a utility meter 14.

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FIGURE 1