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## **WE CLAIM:**

1. Electronic control system for a number of electrostatic precipitators of a building ventilation system, comprising

at least one master device (1) and node devices (2), **wherein** a node device (2) can be connected to each of the electrostatic precipitators, the or each master device (1), respectively, and each node device (2) has a computing unit,

one or more chains (3) of node devices (2) can be connected to the master device (1) or to each of the master devices (1), wherein in each chain (3) a first node device (2) can be connected to the associated master device (1) and the further node devices (2) of the chain (3) can each be connected to the predecessor node device (2), so that the node devices (2) of the chain (3) are connected to one another in series, the master device (1) being the predecessor of the first node device (2) of the connected chain (3) or the predecessor of the first node devices (2) of the connected chains (3), respectively,

a position number is assigned to each of the node devices (2) of a chain (3), the computing unit of the master device (1) or the master devices (1), respectively, is configured, in a configuration mode, to cause the computing unit of the first node device (2) of each connected chain to execute a configuration program that is configured:

to receive the position number of its predecessor and to assign itself the position number increased by the value 1 and to store it in the node device (2),

to determine whether a subsequent node device (2) is connected and, if this is the case, to cause the computing unit of the subsequent node device (2) to execute the configuration program.

- 5 2. Electronic control system according to claim 1, characterized in that each of the node devices (2) has one or more sensors in order to detect a coding of the connected electrostatic precipitator, and in that the configuration program is additionally configured to determine the coding of the connected electrostatic precipitator from the output signal of the sensor or from the output signals of the sensors.
  - 3. Electronic control system according to claim 1 or 2, characterized in that the master device (1) or the master devices (1), respectively, supply the connected node devices (2) with a supply voltage for the electrostatic precipitators, and in that each of the node devices (2) has a galvanic isolating element for transmitting the supply voltage from the node device (2) to the connected electrostatic precipitator.

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- 4. Electronic control system according to any of claims 1 to 3, wherein each of the electrostatic precipitators has a predetermined size and comprises an ionization stage and a collector stage, and the control of each of the electrostatic precipitators is effected by presetting an ionization current flowing through the ionization stage and a DC high voltage to be applied to the collector stage, characterized in that the at least one master device (1) is connectable to a building control device (4) or is part of a building control device (4),
- transmitted from the building control device (4) or a control signal derived therefrom to the node devices (2), and each of the node devices (2) is configured to determine, for the associated electrostatic precipitator, the ionisation current to be set on the basis of the transmitted control signal and, optionally, the size of the connected electrostatic precipitator and/or to determine the DC high voltage to be applied to the collector on the basis of the transmitted control signal.

5. Electronic control system according to claim 4, characterized in that the control signal transmitted to the node devices (2) is a measure of the current air volume flow flowing through a ventilation duct in which the electrostatic precipitators are arranged. 10 Dated this 24th day of August 2019 15 ABHISHEK SEN of S. MAJUMDAR & CO. Applicant's Agent 20 25 30 35 40

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