

- 5 a fourth code segment configured to generate a confirmation code that a return code  
has been entered in the user data processing system in response to the return code in  
the data processing system; and  
a fifth code segment configured to compare a confirmation code supplied by the user  
with the confirmation code generated by the vendor data processing system to confirm  
10 that the return code has been entered in the data processing system.

4. The system for returning software or other information for credit of claim 3  
in which the user data processing system is coupled to the vendor data processing  
system.

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5. The system for returning software or other information for credit of claim 3  
in which the system is further for providing access to the software or other  
information, the vendor computer program additionally comprising:  
a sixth code segment configured to generate the access code for granting access to the  
20 software or other information in response to entry of the access code in the user data  
processing system.

6. The system for returning software or other information for credit of claim 5  
in which the vendor computer program additionally comprises:  
25 a seventh code segment configured to generate the return code for entry in the user  
data processing system for returning the software or other information for credit.

7. The system for returning software or other information for credit of claim 6  
in which the second code segment is configured to place the access code in a blacklist  
30 after entry of the return code in the user data processing system and to check the  
blacklist for the access code when an attempt is made to run the software or access the  
information on the user data processing system by entry of the access code after entry  
of the return code.

- 35 8. A system allowing software or other information to be returned for credit,  
comprising a vendor data processing system having:  
a processor;