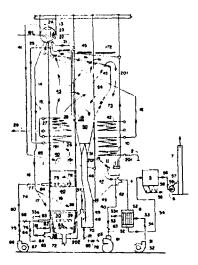
bustion within the fluidized bed can be ensured and the combustion can be controlled over a wide range and optimized depending upon a load.

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## CIRCULATING FLUIDIZED BED COMBUSTION SYSTEM FOR A STEAM GENERATOR WITH PROVISION FOR STAGED FIRING

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The invention comprises a steam generator having a circulating fluidized bed combustion system whereby there is provision to admit air flow incrementally along the gas path to control combustion rate and firing temperature in a manner to maintain differential temperatures along the gas path. The initial portion of the gas path where combustion is initiated can be held in



one temperature range as 1550 degrees F. which is optimum for sulphur retention and the final portion of the combustion zone can be elevated in temperature as to 1800 degrees F. to produce a greater degree of heat transfer through the gas to fluid heat exchange surface downstream of the combustion zone.

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