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#### (54) VOLTAGE CONTROLLED OSCILLATOR WITH HIGH Q FACTOR TUNING BANKS

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#### (57)ABSTRACT

A voltage controlled oscillator (VCO) has a VCO core and a tuning bank. The tuning bank includes first and second tuning capacitors. A main switch is coupled between the first and second tuning capacitors. The tuning bank also includes control switches that receive a control signal to selectively activate the tuning bank. The main switch receives a levelshifted control signal to activate the tuning bank.

