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## Amazon is at it Again

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Always innovating, Amazon has won a new patent, according to technology news site Recode. The patent is for a warehouse to manufacture clothing and other items on demand. The warehouse's manufacturing equipment would include textile printers and cutters, as well as special cameras used to take pictures of clothing to determine alteration needs, Recode reports.

In addition, the company has launched Amazon Cash, a service that lets customers add cash to their Amazon balances at participating brick-and-mortar grocery, drug and convenience stores. According to Amazon's website, shoppers simply have a cashier scan a barcode, then give the cashier the money they want added to their Amazon accounts. This new feature will allow those without credit or debit cards to shop on Amazon. **GP**