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## [54] STEP-ON WASTEBASKET

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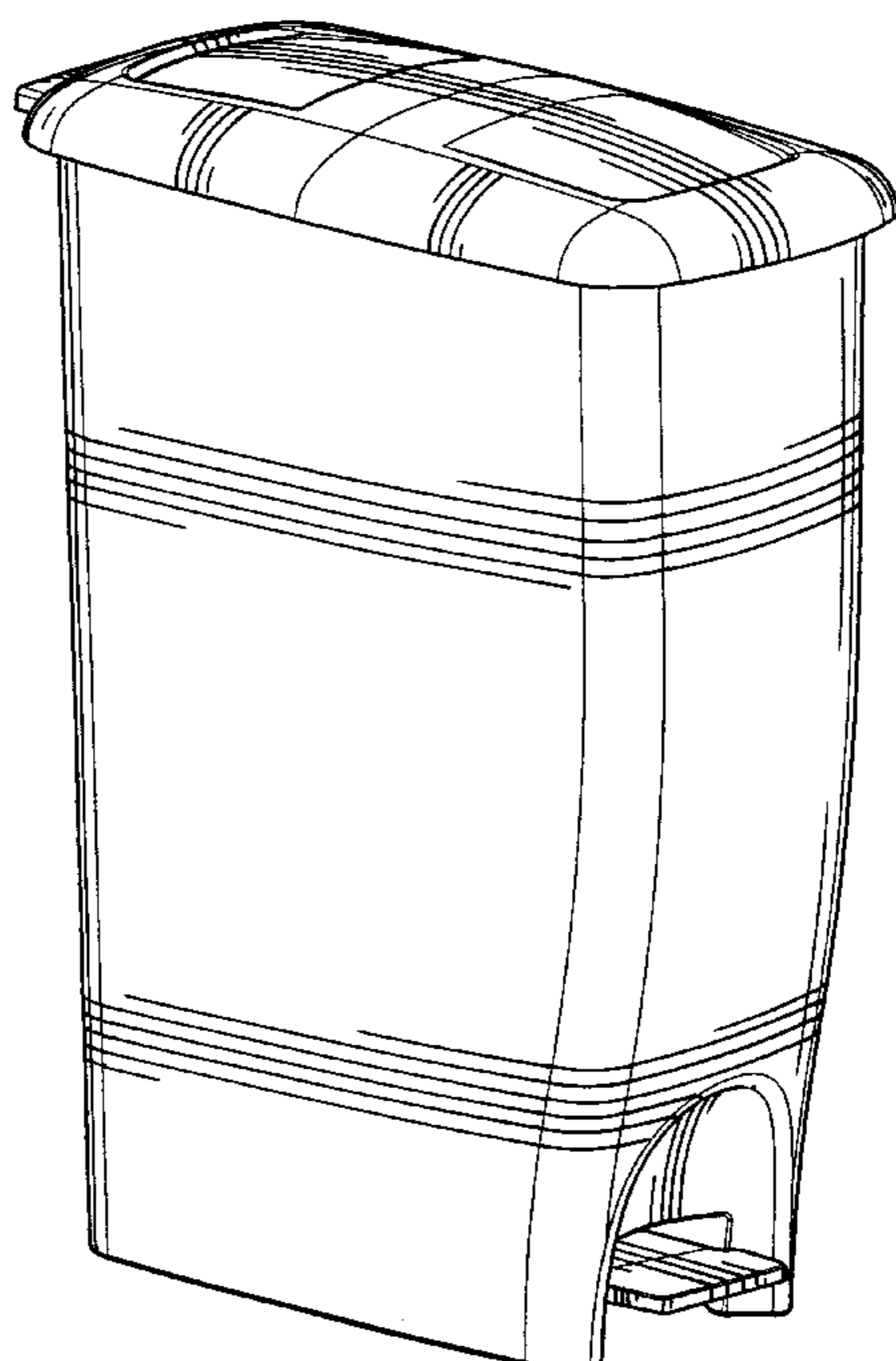
## [57] **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a step-on wastebasket, as shown and described.

## **DESCRIPTION**

FIG. 1 is a top left front perspective view of a step-on wastebasket showing our new design; FIG. 2 is a front elevational view thereof; FIG. 3 is a left side elevational view thereof; the right side elevational view being a mirror image; FIG. 4 is a rear elevational view thereof; FIG. 5 is a top plan view thereof; and, FIG. 6 is a bottom plan view thereof.

**1 Claim, 3 Drawing Sheets**



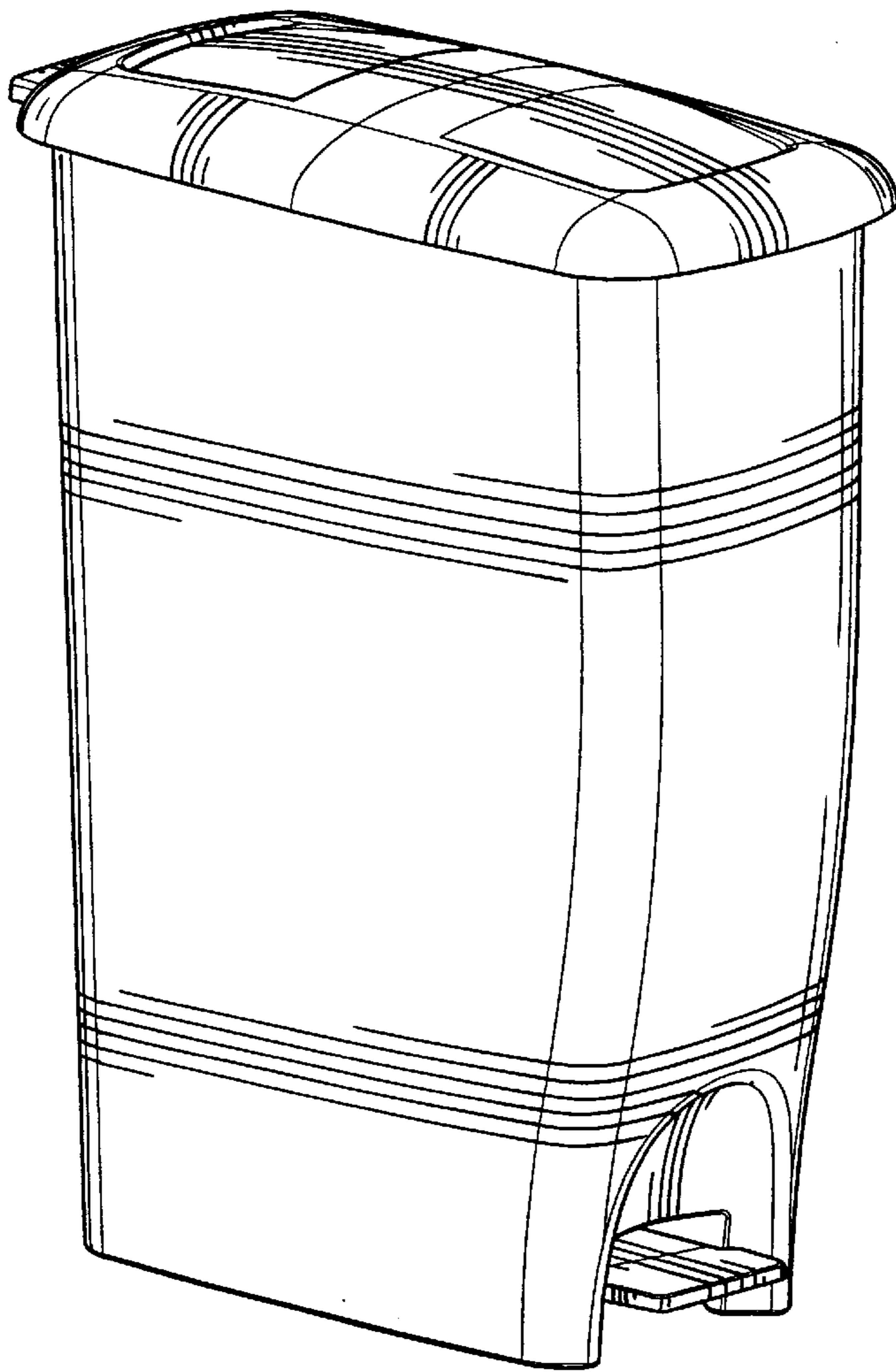


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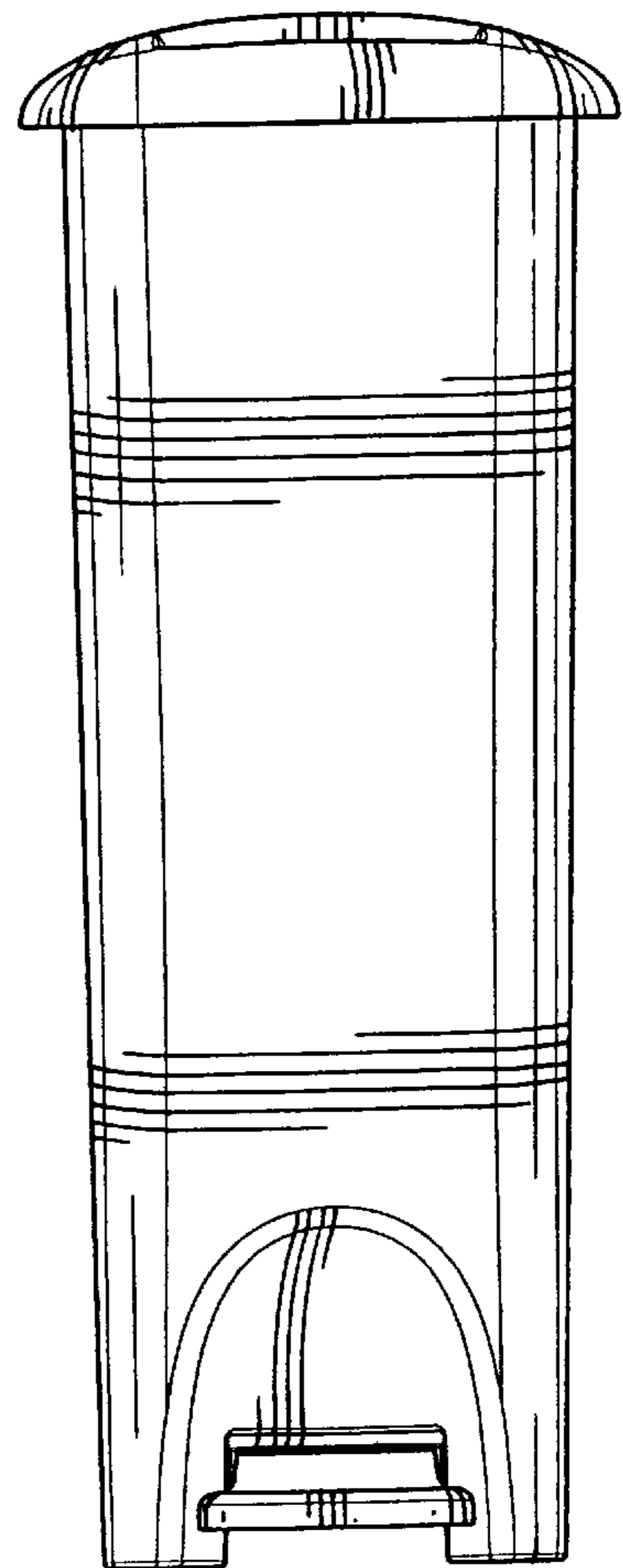


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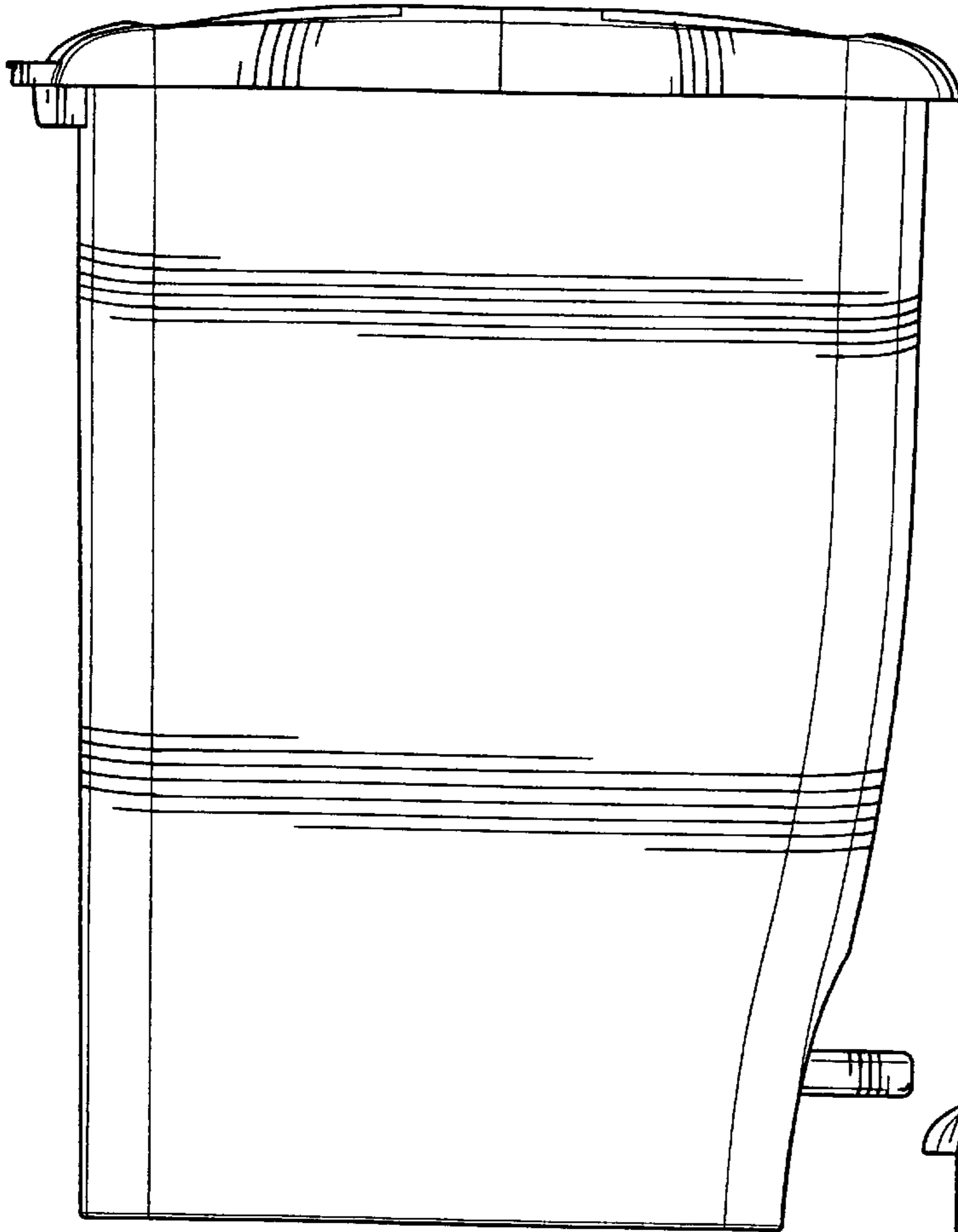


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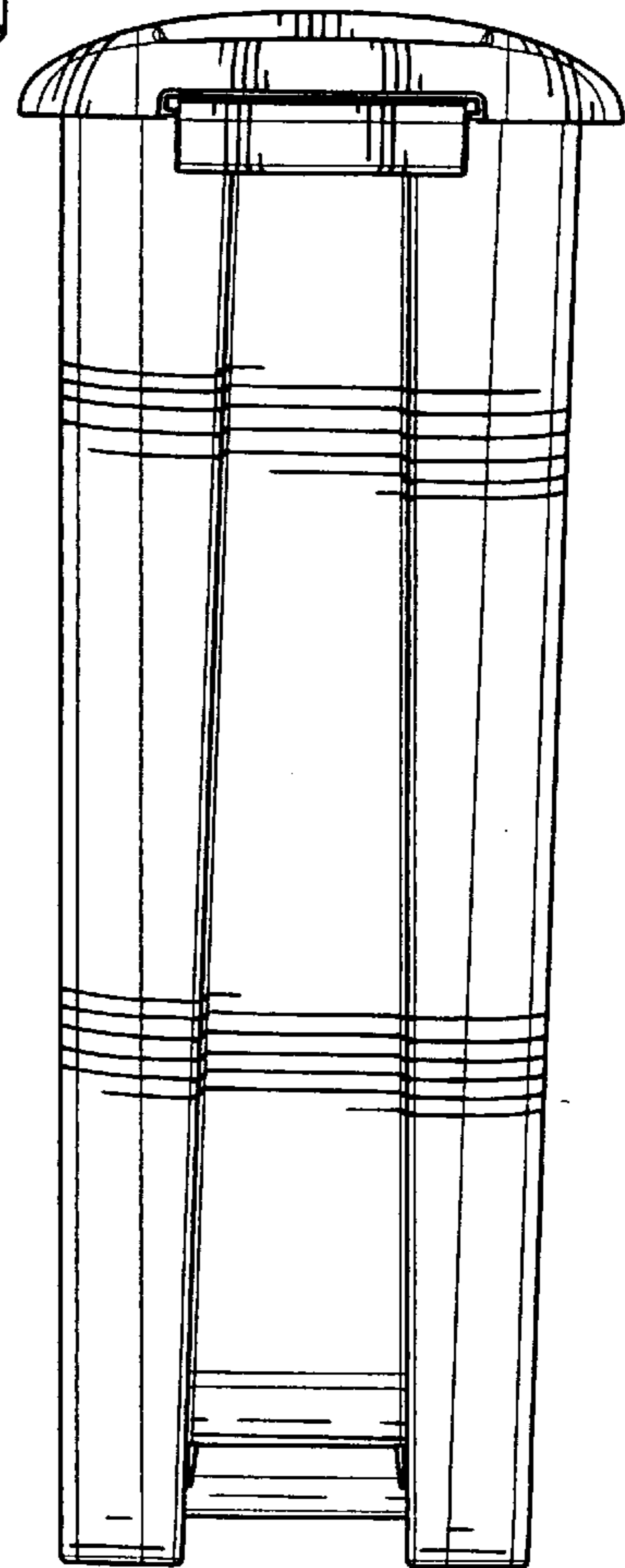


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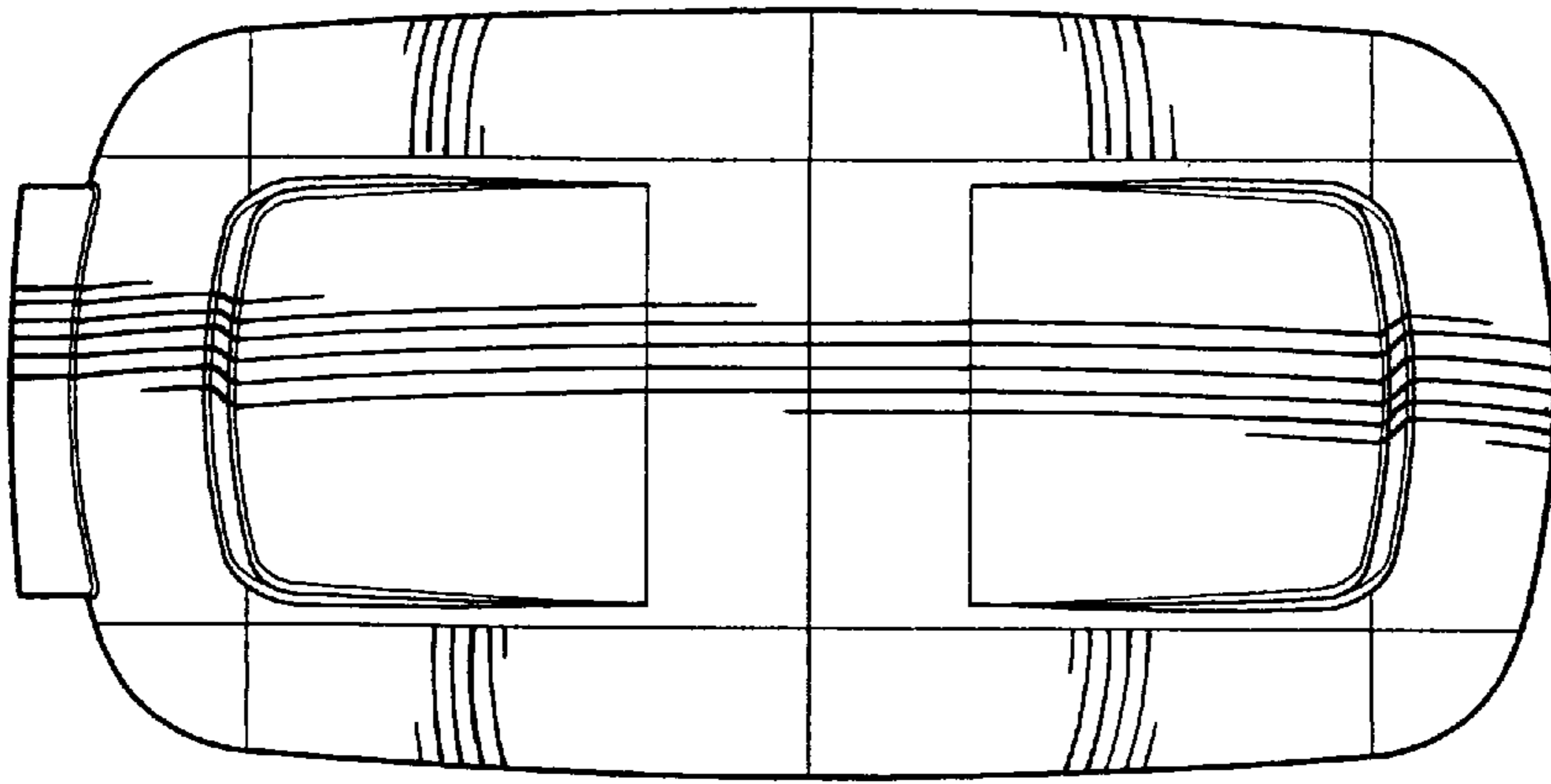


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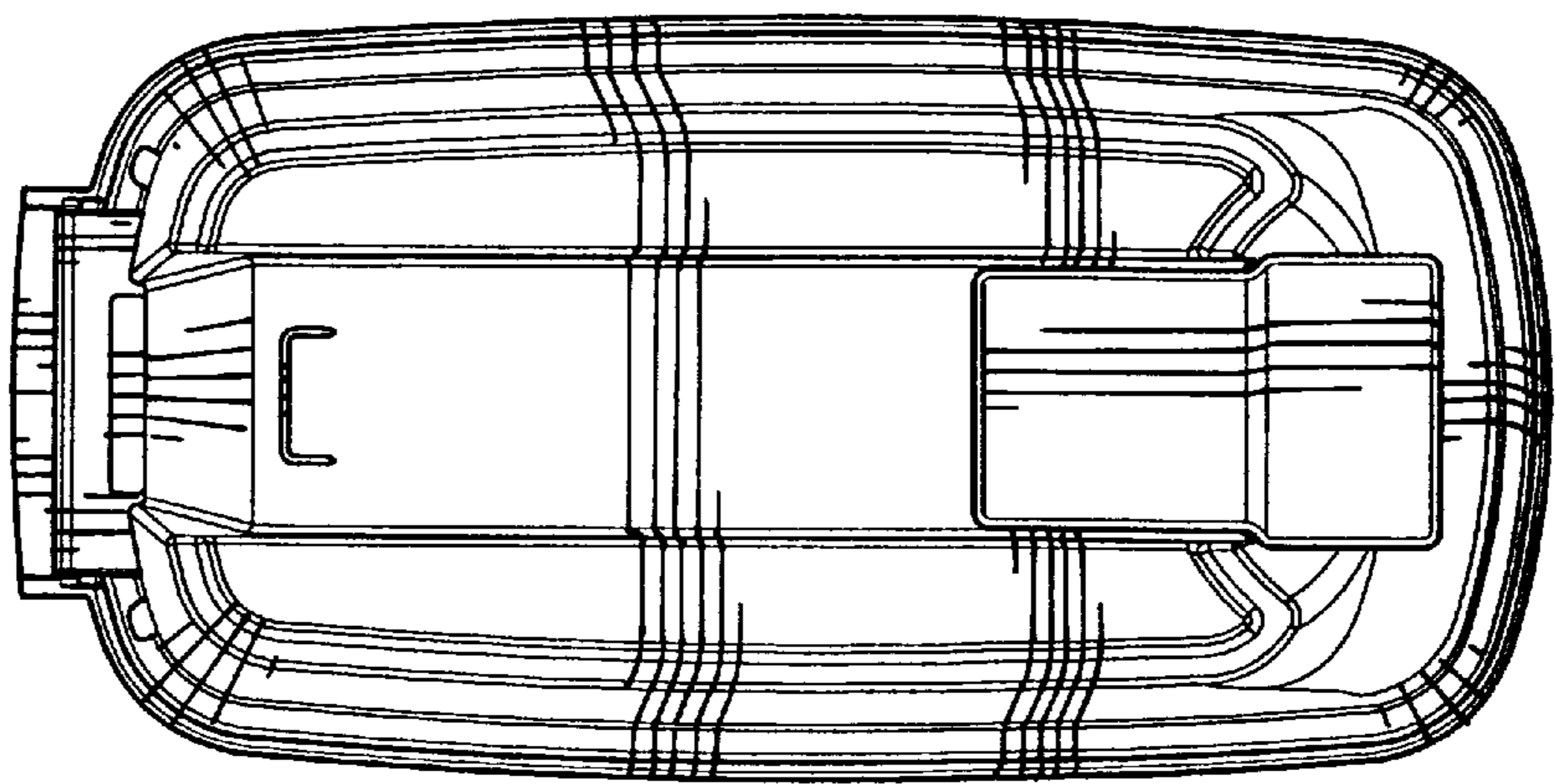


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