



US00D438964S

(12) **United States Design Patent** (10) **Patent No.:** **US D438,964 S**
Gaba et al. (45) **Date of Patent:** **** Mar. 13, 2001**

(54) **CABINET AND CONTAINER FOR HOUSING MEDICAL WASTE**

(75) Inventors: **Rodolfo Gaba**, Simi Valley; **Michael Griffin**, Agua Dulce, both of CA (US); **Ignaty Gusakov**, East Aurora, NY (US); **Ruane S. Jeter**, Los Angeles; **Gordon H. Marsh**, West Hills, both of CA (US)

(73) Assignee: **Graphic Controls Corporation**, Buffalo, NY (US)

(**) Term: **14 Years**

(21) Appl. No.: **29/104,267**

(22) Filed: **Apr. 30, 1999**

Related U.S. Application Data

(63) Continuation-in-part of application No. 29/088,648, filed on May 28, 1998, now Pat. No. Des. 414,864, which is a continuation-in-part of application No. 29/079,532, filed on Nov. 7, 1997, now Pat. No. Des. 411,008.

(51) **LOC (7) Cl.** **24-02**

(52) **U.S. Cl.** **D24/131**

(58) **Field of Search** D24/131; 200/366, 200/365, 363, 370, 430

(56) **References Cited**

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Re. 33,413 10/1990 Hanifl .
D. 304,493 11/1989 Bemis .
D. 307,841 5/1990 Hanifl et al. .
D. 321,803 11/1991 Dawson .
D. 331,515 12/1992 Petterson et al. .

(List continued on next page.)

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

85 03 511 6/1985 (DE) .

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

“Sharps—A—Gator, Sharps Collection and Disposal System, Point—Of—Use Sharps Containers,” CA—4833—1, Devon Industries, Inc. (1992).

(List continued on next page.)

Primary Examiner—Ian Simmons

(74) *Attorney, Agent, or Firm*—Ratner & Prestia

(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a cabinet and container for housing medical waste, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a cabinet and container for housing medical waste showing our new design;

FIG. 2 is a front view of a cabinet and container for housing medical waste showing our new design;

FIG. 3 is a left side view of the cabinet and container for housing medical waste;

FIG. 4 is a right side view of the cabinet and container for housing medical waste;

FIG. 5 is a rear view of the cabinet and container for housing medical waste;

FIG. 6 is a top view of the cabinet and container for housing medical waste;

FIG. 7 is a bottom view of the cabinet and container for housing medical waste;

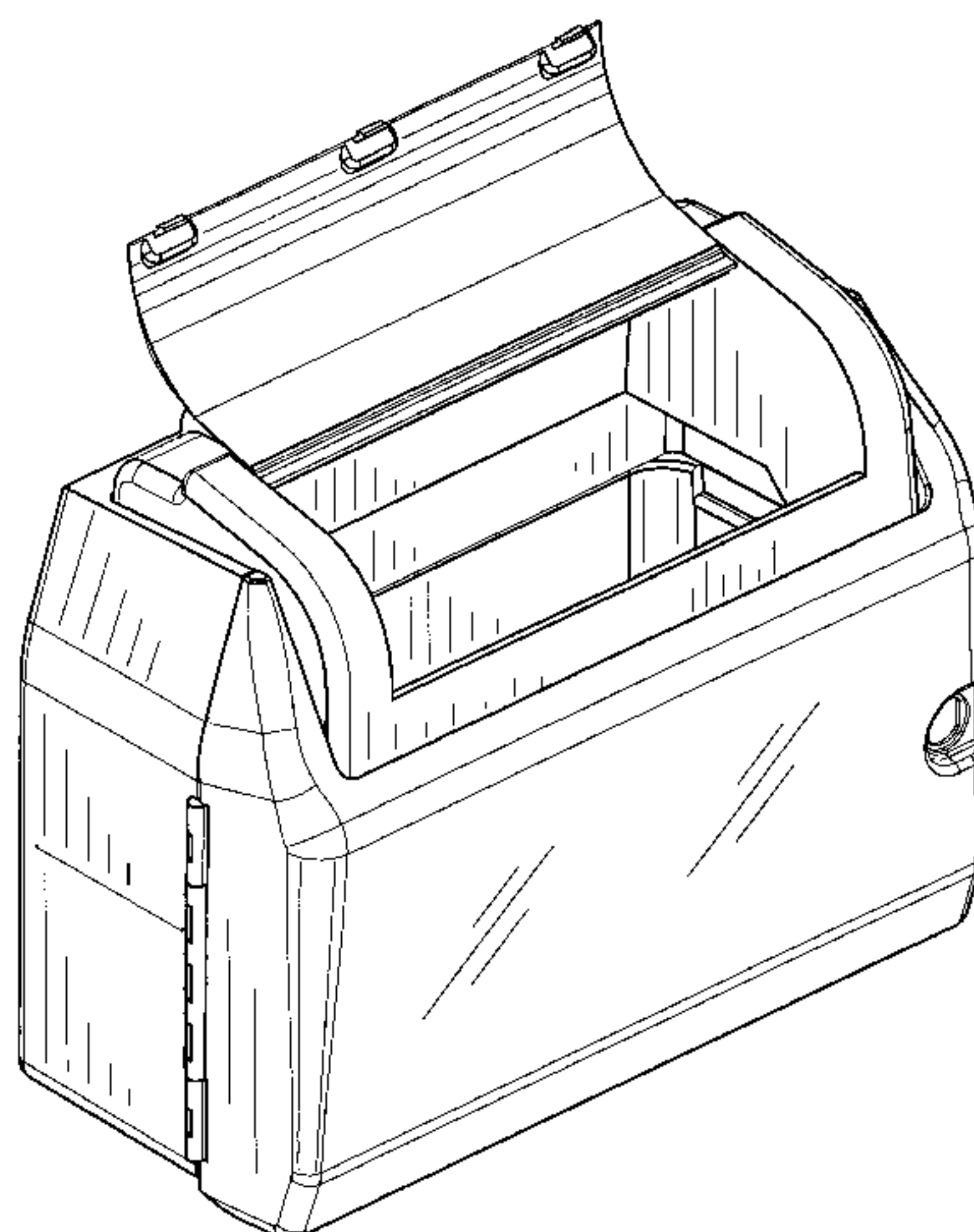
FIG. 8 is a perspective view, from the left side, of the cabinet and container for housing medical waste with the cabinet door open, showing the container inside the cabinet;

FIG. 9 is a perspective view, from the right side, of the cabinet and container for housing medical waste with the cabinet door open, showing the container inside the cabinet;

FIG. 10 is a front view of the cabinet and container for housing medical waste with the cabinet door open, showing the container inside the cabinet; and,

FIG. 11 is a top view of the cabinet and container for housing medical waste with the cabinet door open, showing the container inside the cabinet.

1 Claim, 11 Drawing Sheets



U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

D. 332,680

1/1993

Ramirez .

D. 335,372

5/1993

Mosior .

D. 335,373

5/1993

Mosior .

D. 385,349

10/1997

Mosior et al. .

D. 411,008

6/1999

Gaba et al. .

449,149

3/1891

Whelan .

697,655

4/1902

O’Leary .

1,333,051

3/1920

Young .

4,580,688

4/1986

Harris et al. .

4,714,168

12/1987

Johnson et al. .

4,715,498

*

12/1987

Hanifl 206/366

4,779,728

10/1988

Hanifl et al. .

4,809,850

3/1989

Laible et al. .

4,828,107

5/1989

Spencer .

4,863,057

9/1989

Hanifl et al. .

4,903,832

*

2/1990

Stewart D24/131

4,927,076

5/1990

Simpson .

4,955,477

9/1990

Bruno .

5,076,429

12/1991

Patrick et al. .

5,080,251

1/1992

Noack .

5,178,322

1/1993

Shillington .

5,211,303

5/1993

Mosior .

5,240,108

8/1993

Tonna .

5,323,994

6/1994

Shillington et al. .

5,387,735

2/1995

Ponsi et al. .

5,413,243

5/1995

Bemis et al. .

5,423,450

6/1995

Shillington et al. .

5,465,841

11/1995

Wilson et al. .

5,494,186

2/1996

Marsh .

5,516,001

5/1996

Muckenfuhs et al. .

5,603,404

2/1997

Nazare et al. .

5,605,245

2/1997

Bemis et al. .

5,630,506

5/1997

Thorne et al. .

5,647,502

7/1997

Marsh .

5,740,909

4/1998

Nazare et al. .

5,919,762

*

7/1999

Gaba et al. 206/366

5,947,285

*

9/1999

Gaba et al. 206/370

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

“VHA+Plus Sharps Container,” Sales Manual, VHA Supply Co. (1989).

“Sharps Container System Products Profile,” Sherwood Medical (1989).

“STOP—Don’t Get Stuck With an Obsolete Sharps Disposal System,” Premium Plastics, Inc. (1988).

“Infection Control Illustrating Herculite of Devon Industries, Inc.,” Hospital Purchasing News (1996).

“Bemis Delivers Exceptional Quality In The Sharps Disposal Units You Depend On,” Bemis Manufacturing Company (1996).

“Encore Sharps Collection Unit,” Devon Industries, Inc. (Jul. 1996).

“In–Room Sharps Disposal System,” Sage Products, Inc. (1993).

“VHA+Plus Sharps Disposal Containers,” VHA Supply Co. (1991).

“How To Use The In–Room Wall Enclosure System,” Sage products, Inc. (1993)

European Search Report Dated Feb. 19, 1998.

“Serious About Infection Control? Look What’s New From Sherwood!”, Sherwood Medical (1989).

* cited by examiner

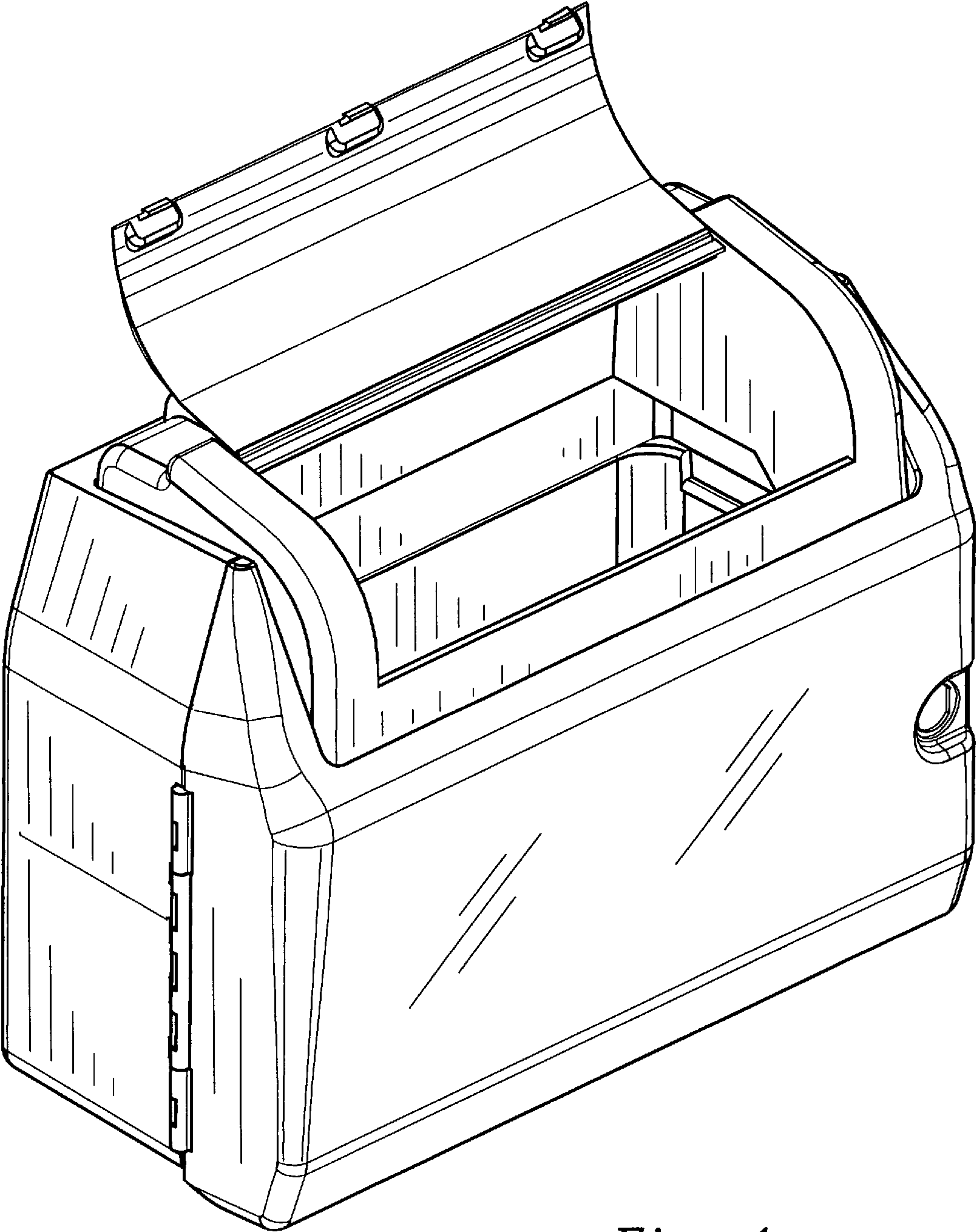


Fig. 1

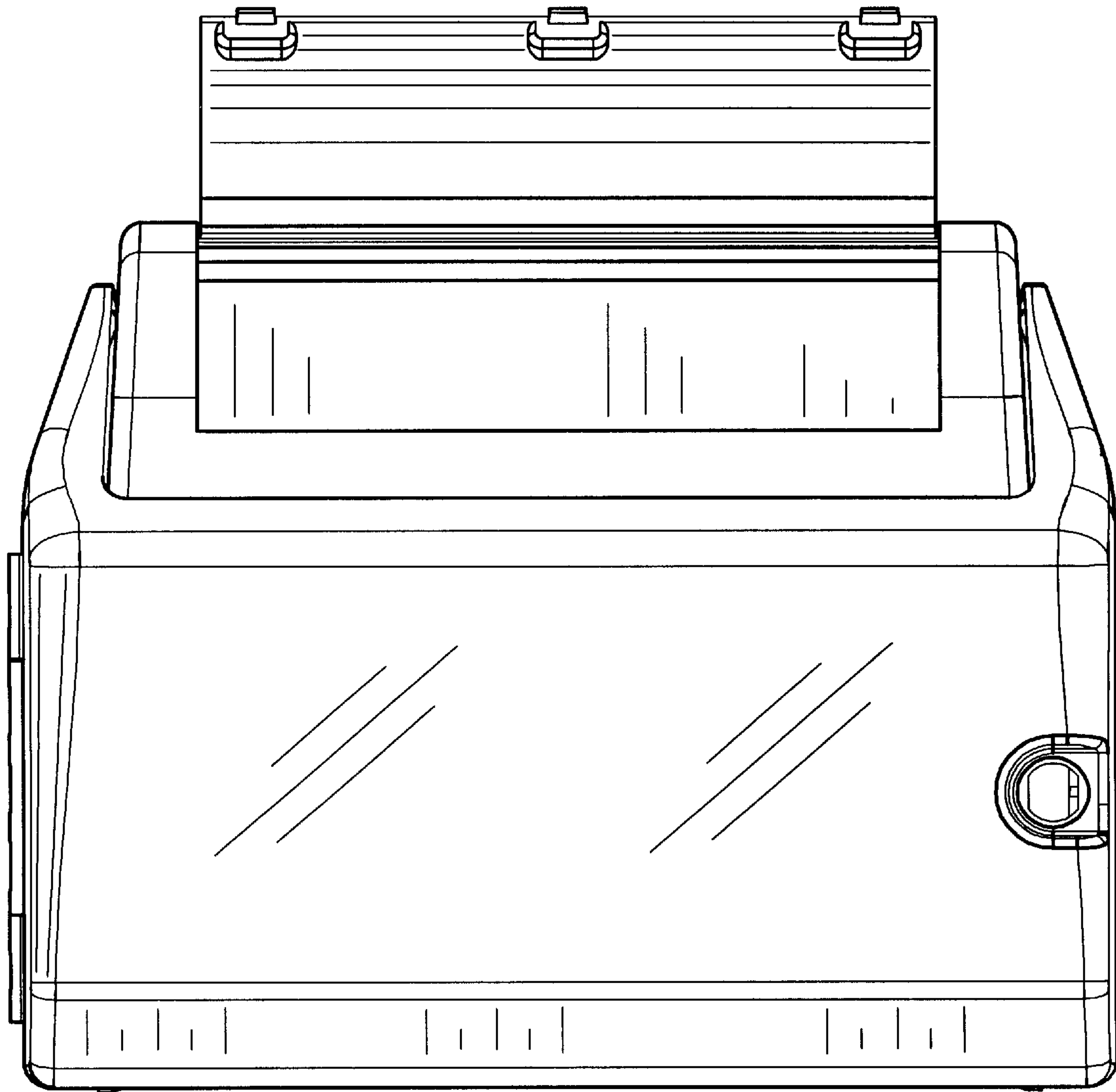


Fig. 2

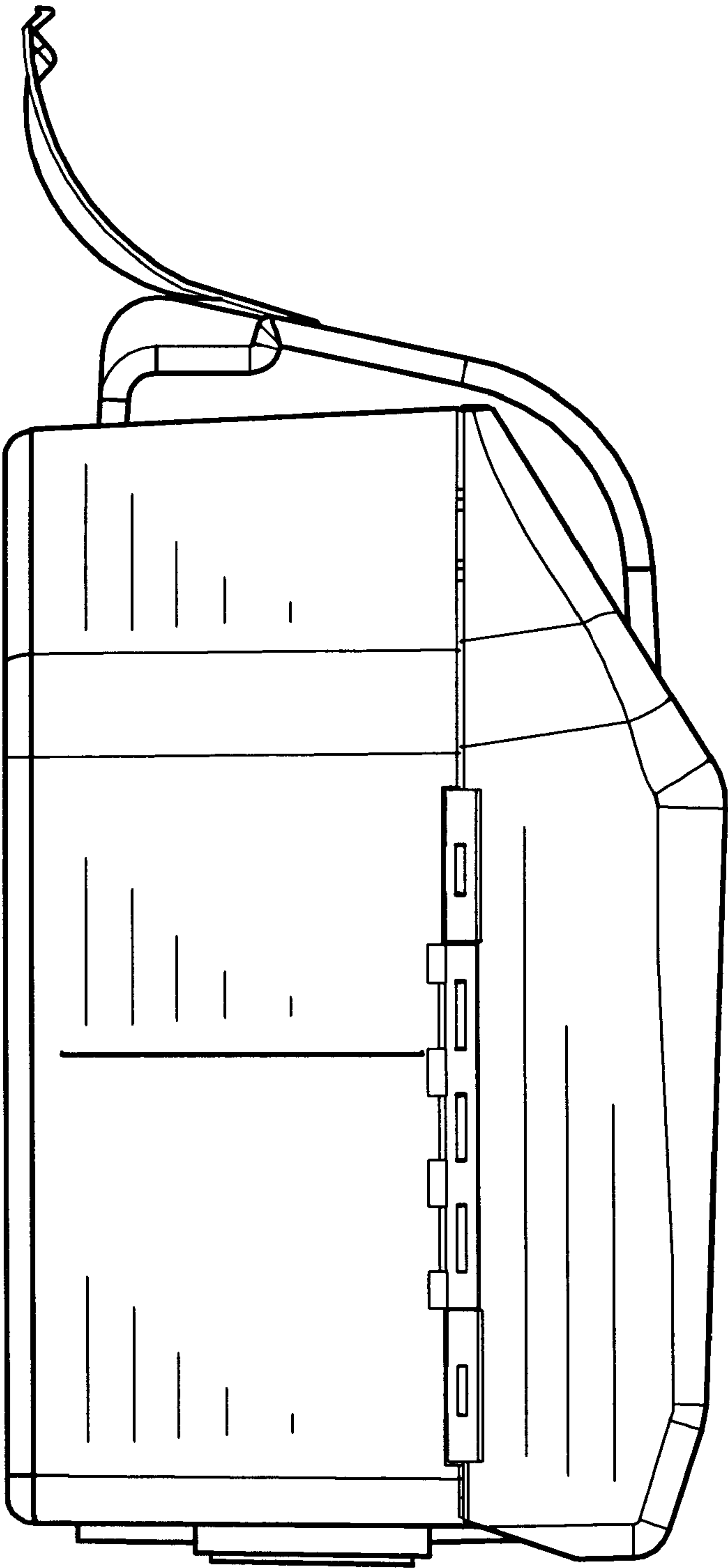


Fig. 3

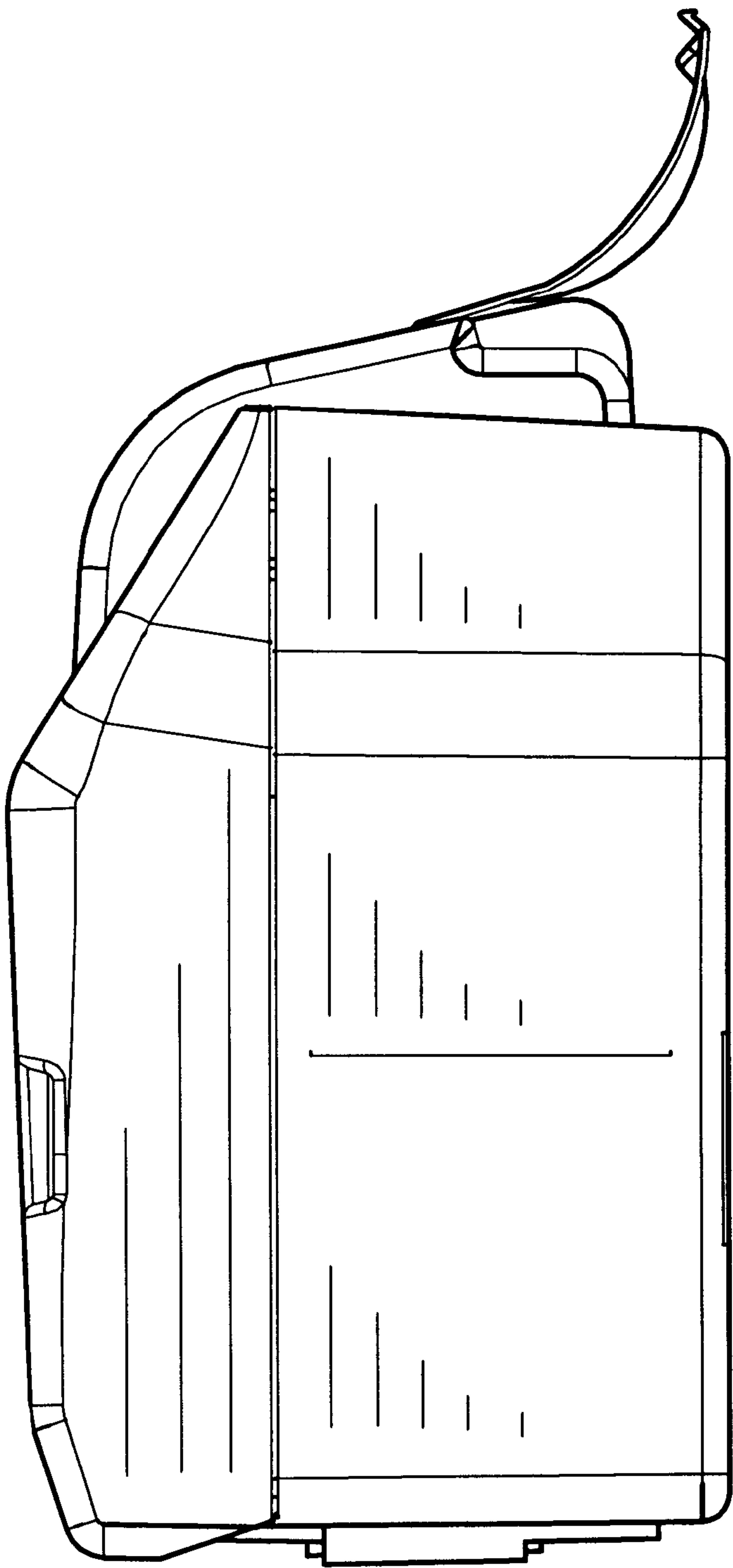


Fig. 4

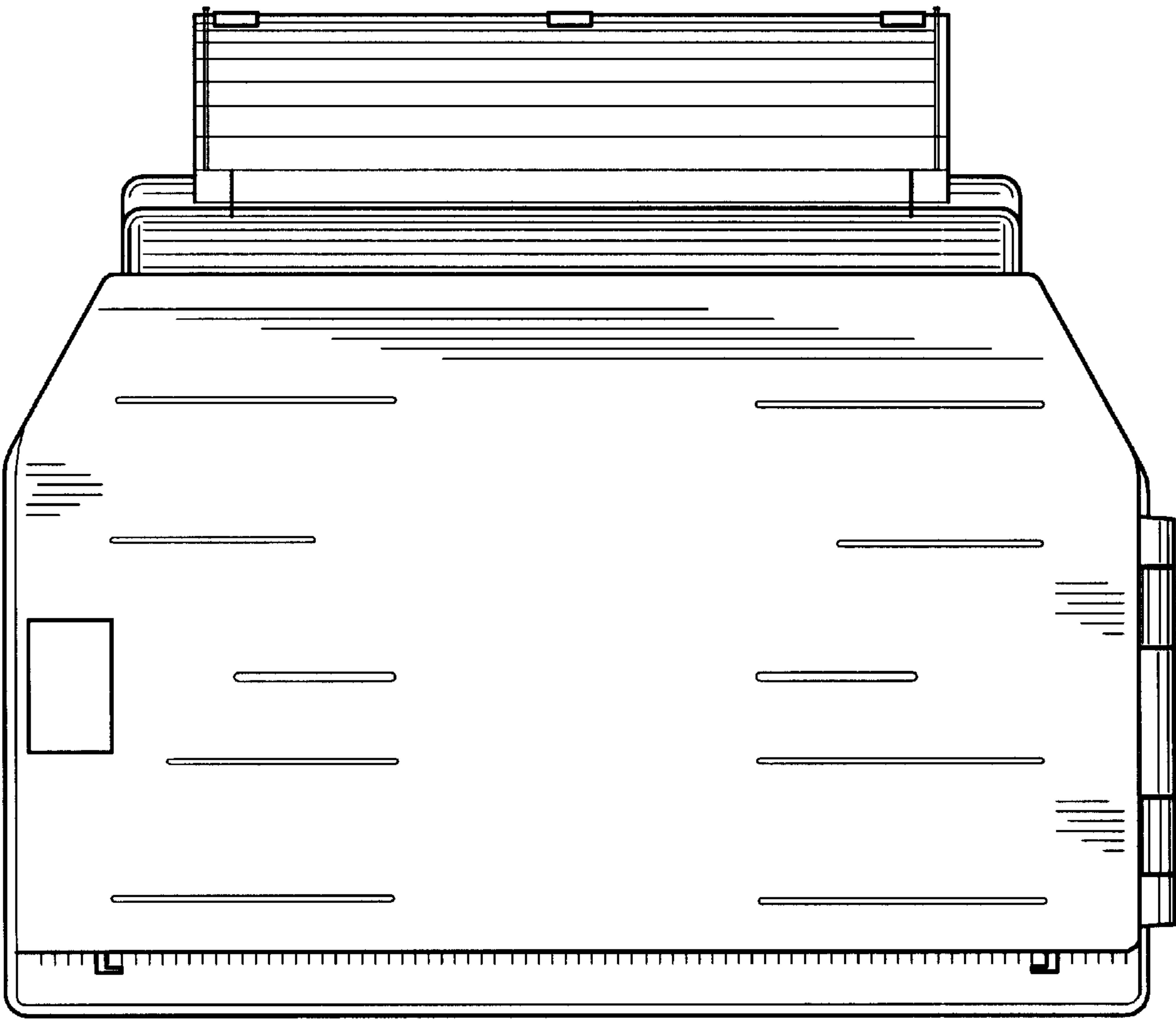


Fig. 5

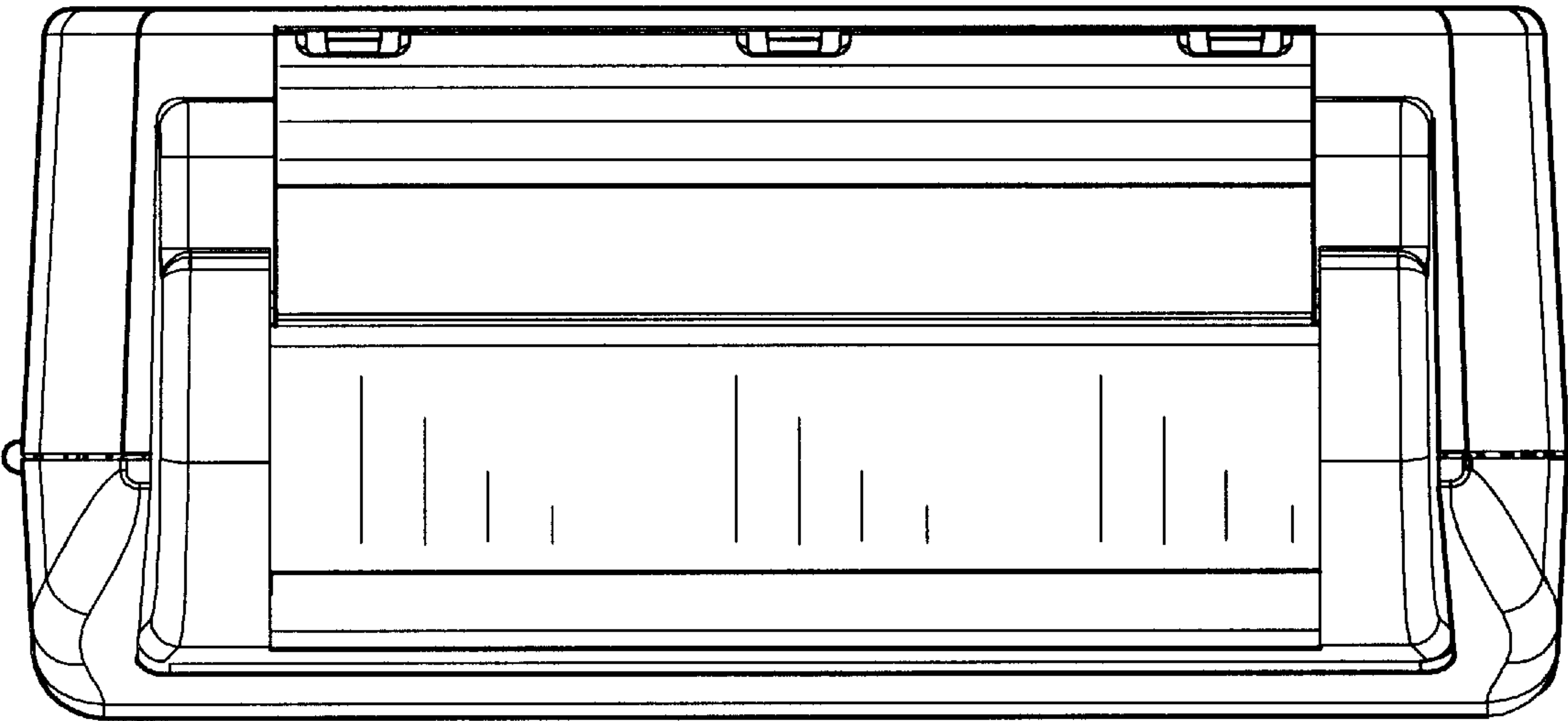


Fig. 6

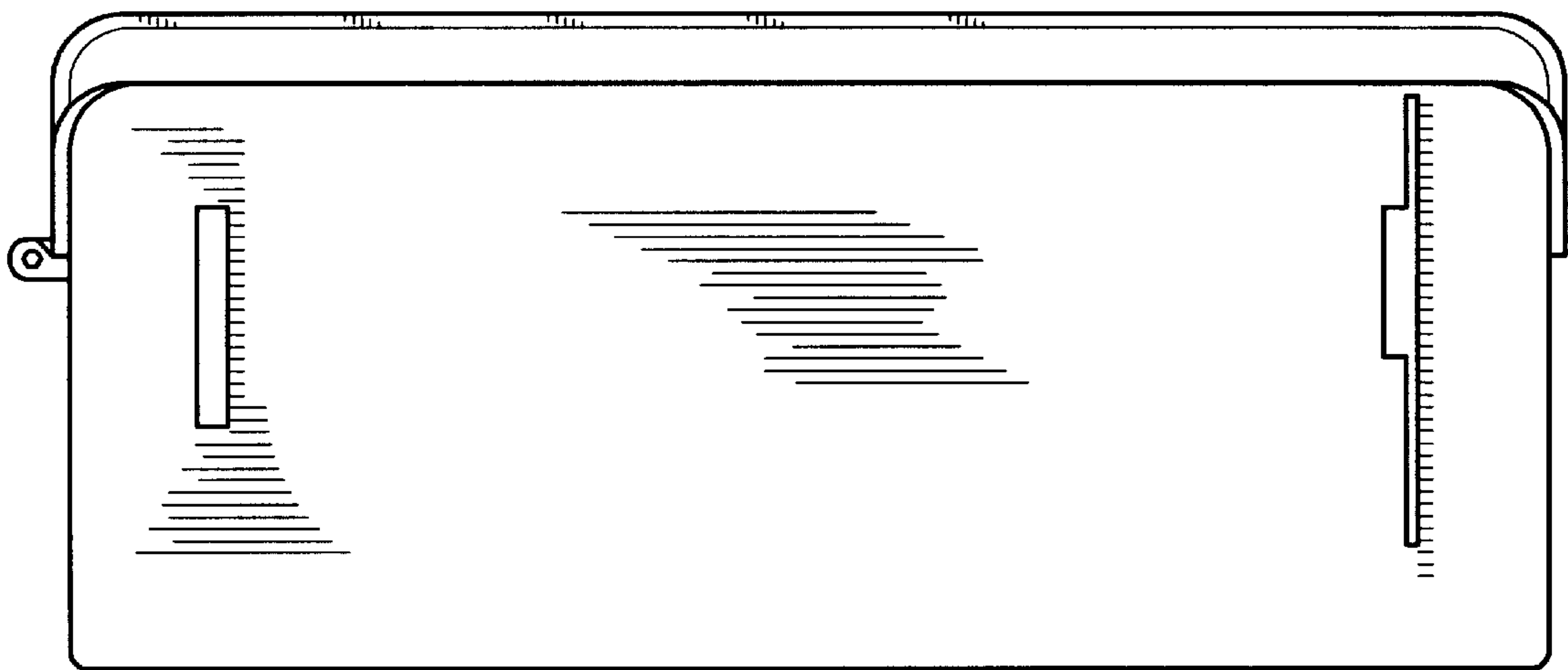


Fig. 7

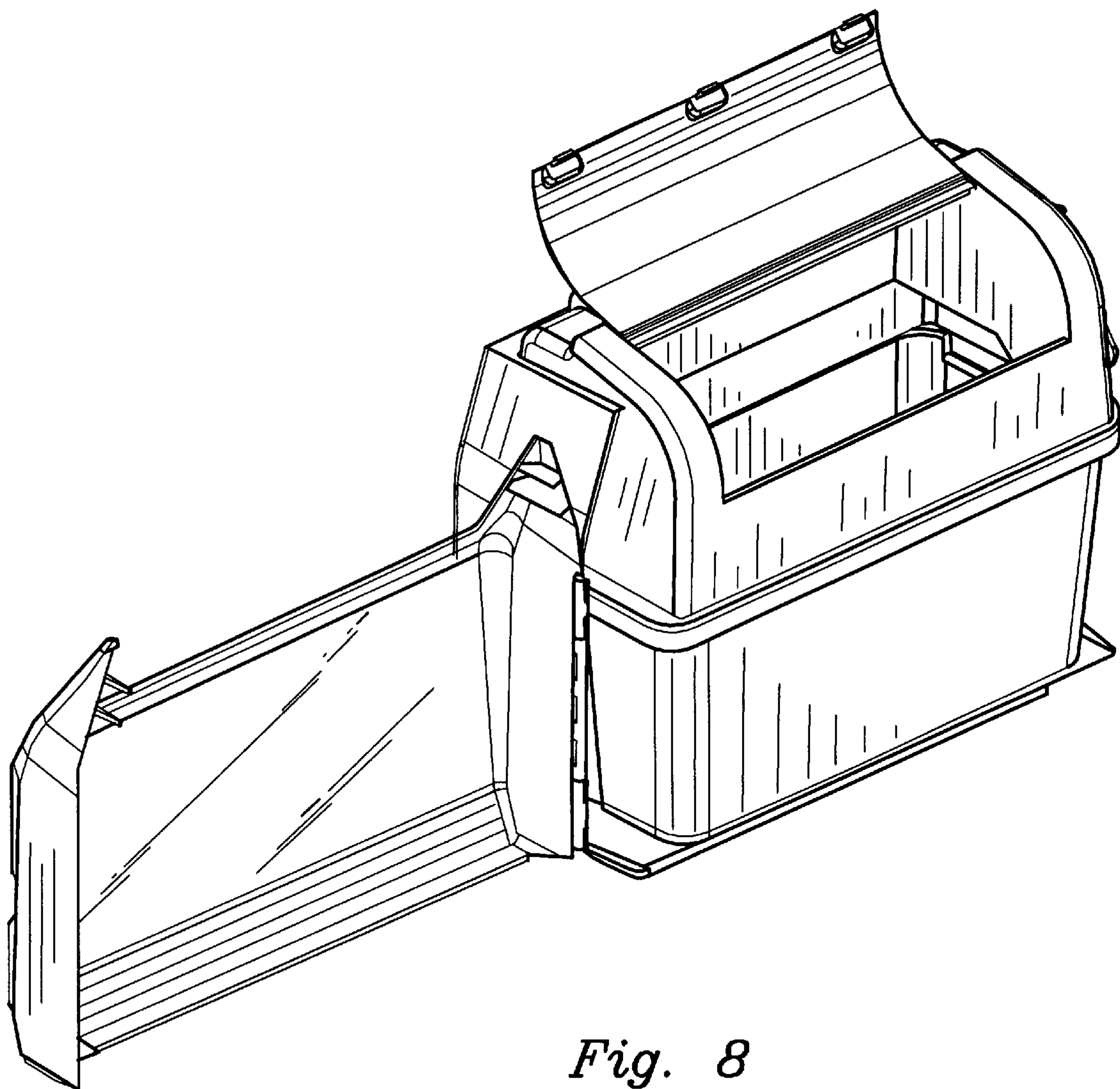


Fig. 8

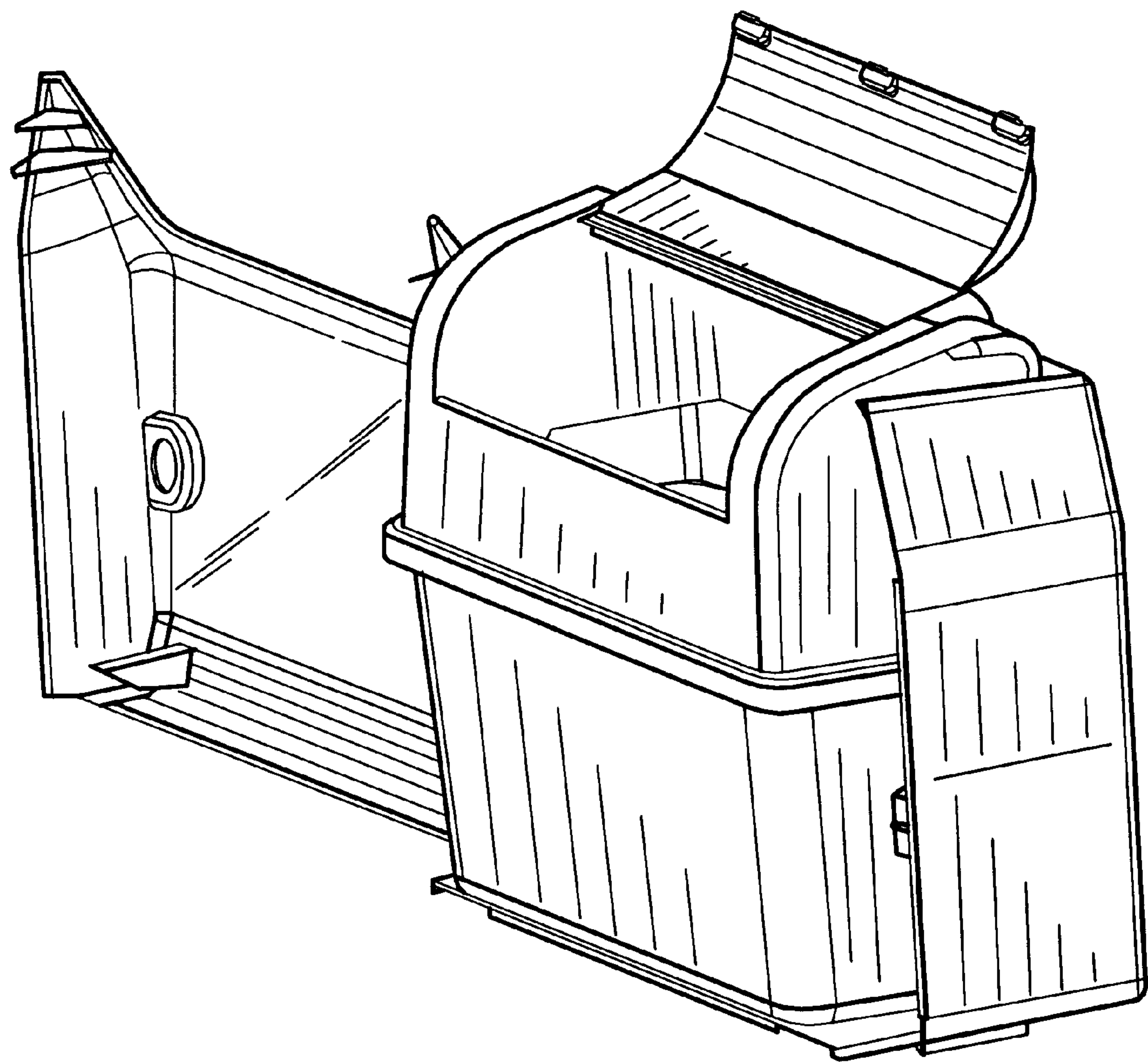


Fig. 9

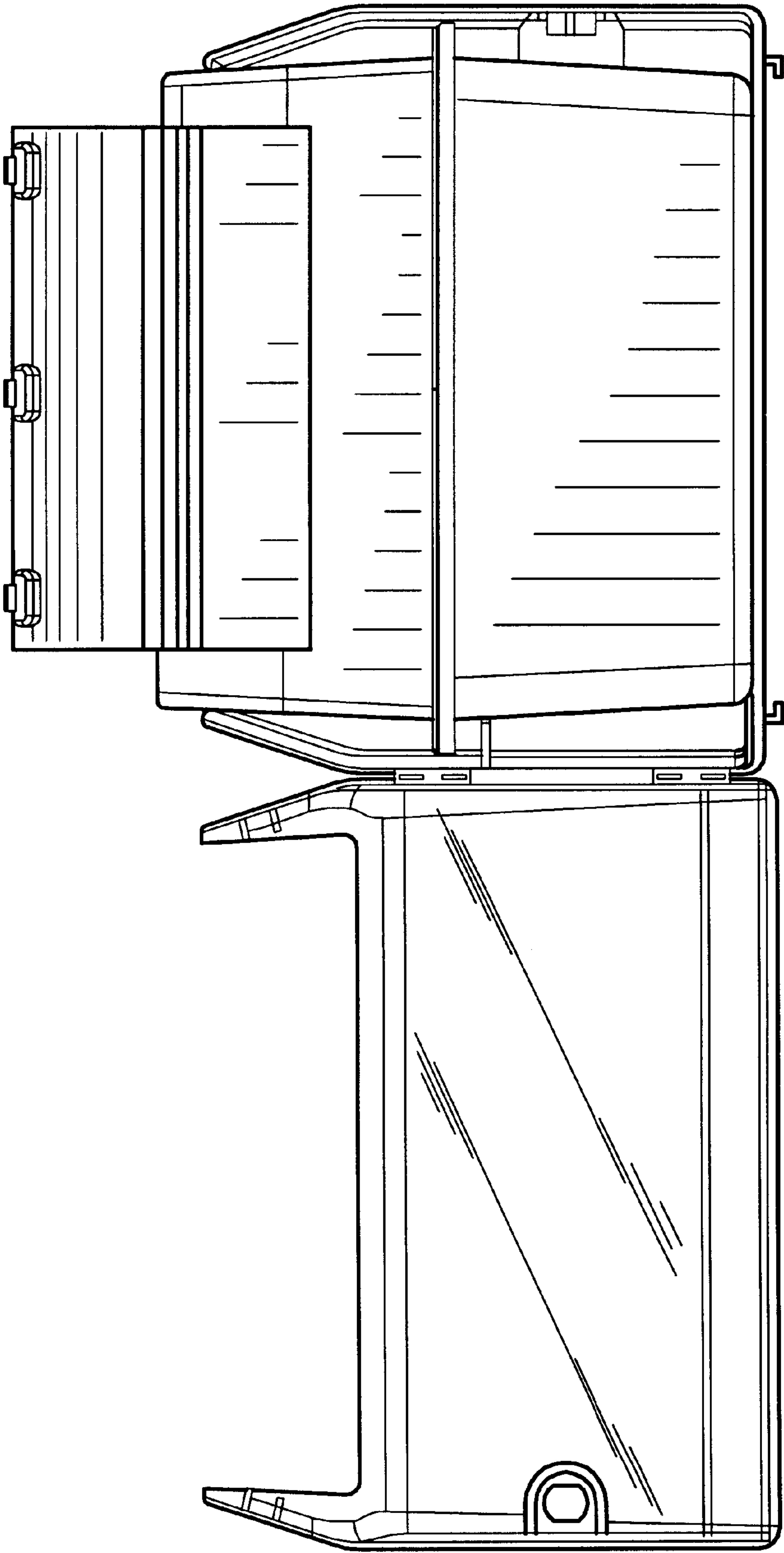


Fig. 10

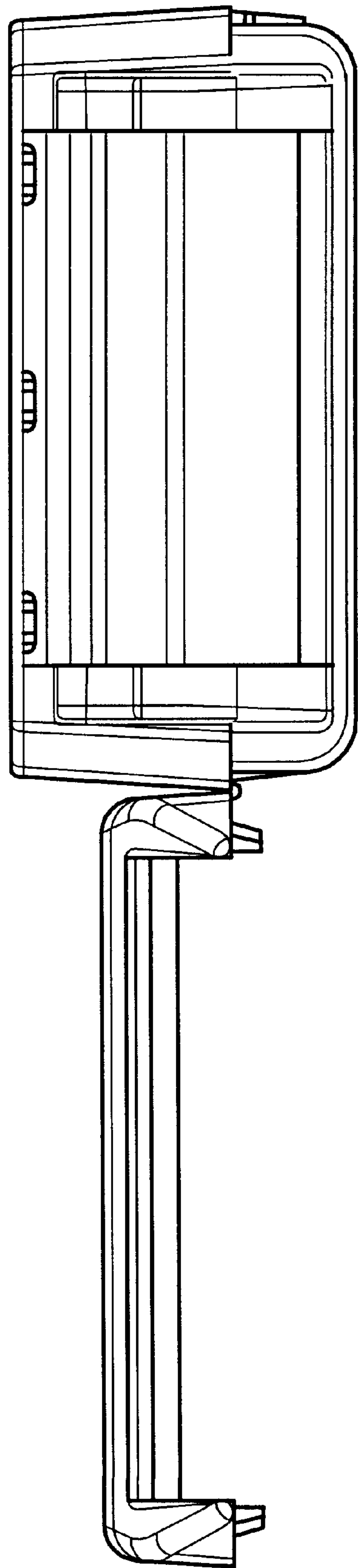


Fig. 11