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(54) **TIRE TREAD**

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(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental Design for a tire tread, as shown and
described.

DESCRIPTION

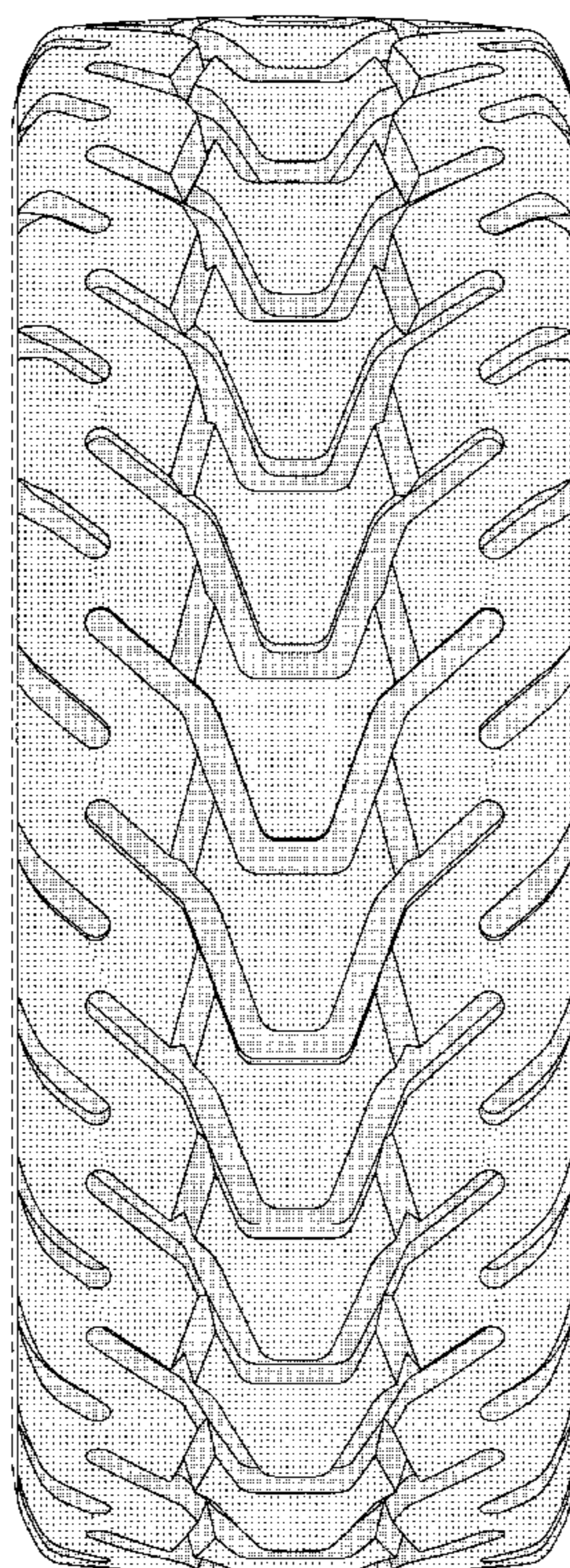
FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a tire tread showing our new
design, it being understood that the pattern repeats uni-
formly throughout the circumference of the tread;

FIG. 2 is an enlarged front elevational view thereof; and,

FIG. 3 is a reduced scale side elevational view thereof, the
opposite side elevational view being a mirror image thereof.

In the drawings, the broken lines defining the sidewall and
inner bead are for illustrative purposes only and form no part
of the claimed design.

1 Claim, 3 Drawing Sheets



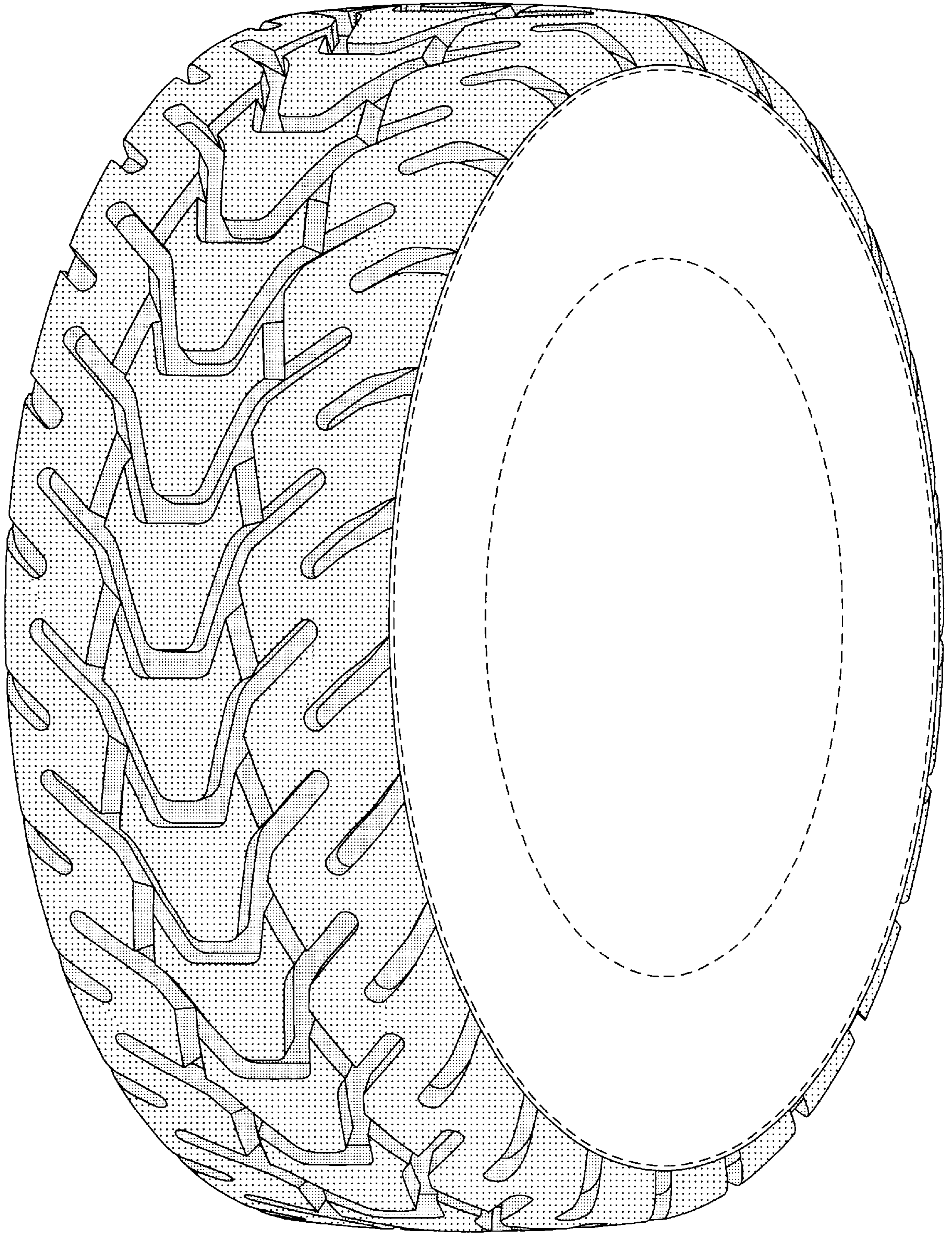


FIGURE 1

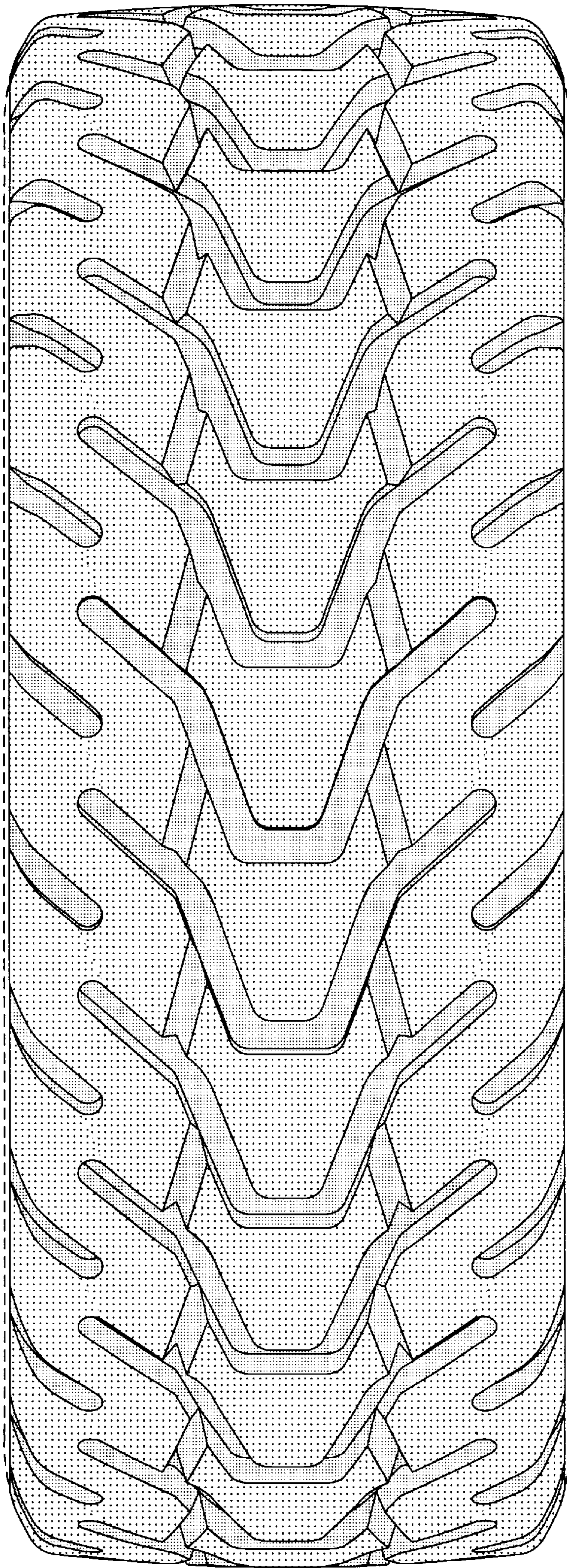


FIGURE 2

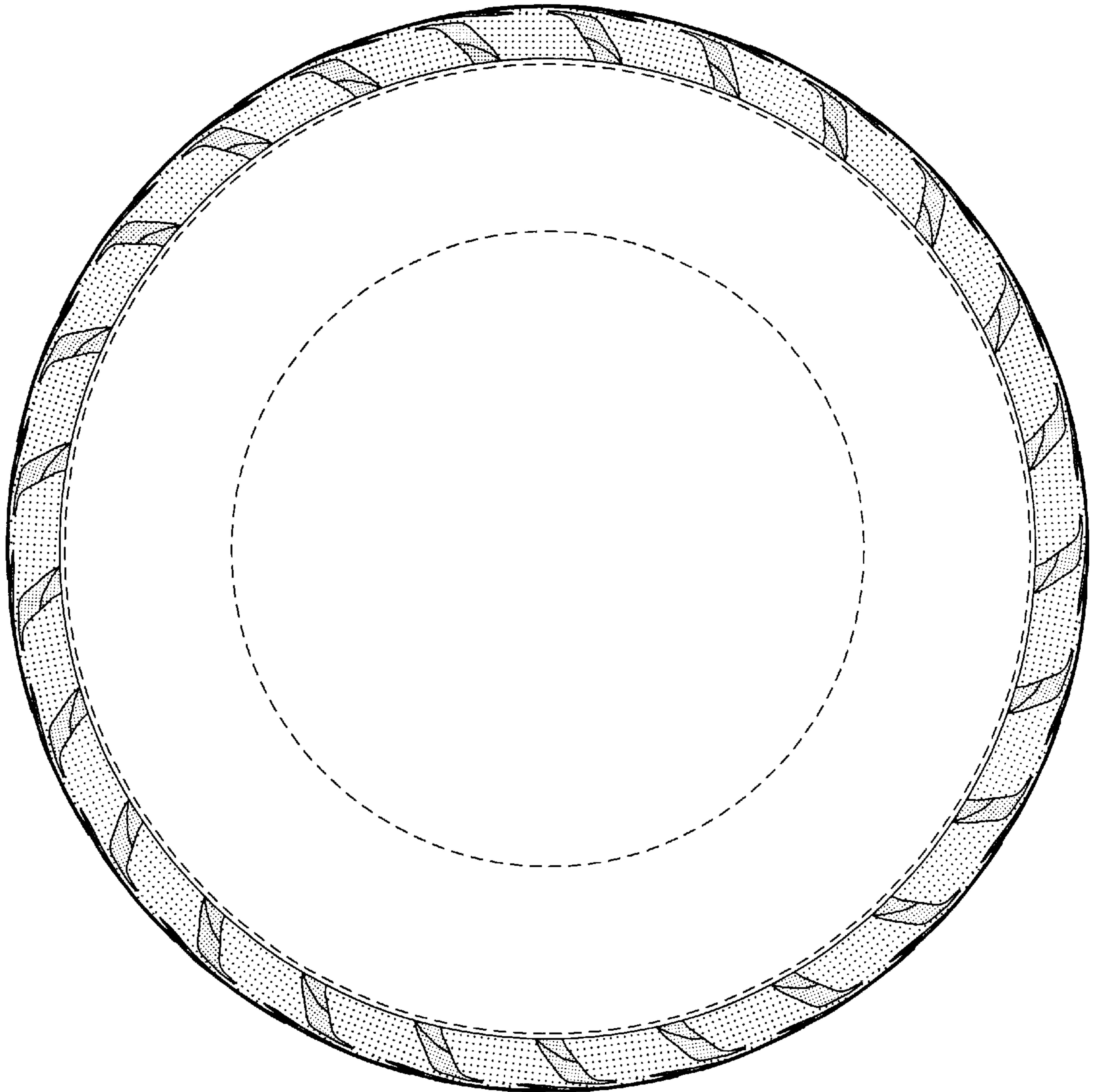


FIGURE 3