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(54) **RECLOSABLE CONTAINER LID**

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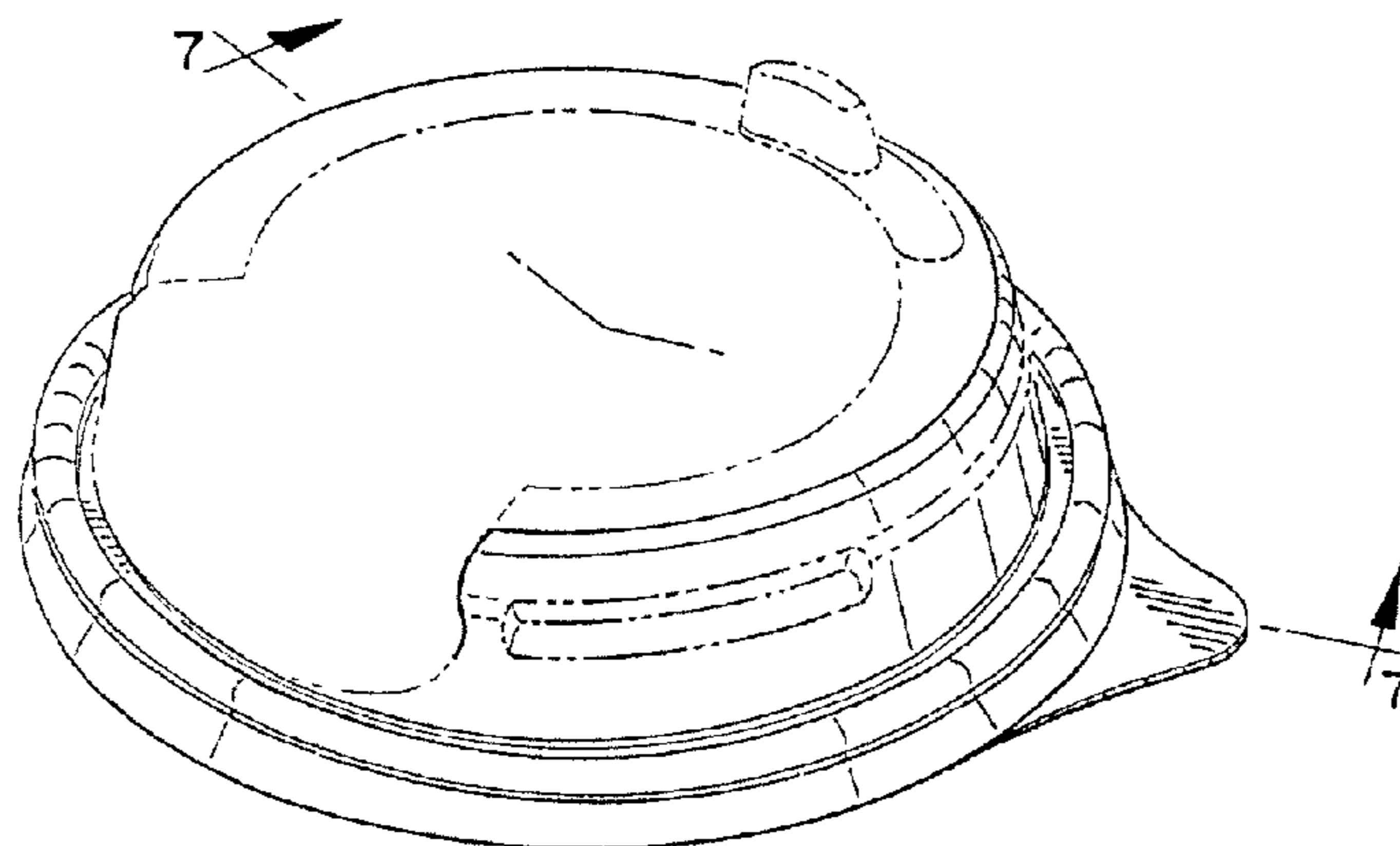
(57) **CLAIM**

What is claimed is the ornamental Design for a reclosable container lid, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a reclosable container lid of the invention, showing the lid in a closed position; FIG. 2 is a side view of the reclosable container lid of FIG. 1; FIG. 3 is a side view of the reclosable container lid of FIG. 1; FIG. 4 is a side view of the reclosable container lid of FIG. 1; FIG. 5 is a side view of the reclosable container lid of FIG. 1; FIG. 6 is a top view of the reclosable container lid of FIG. 1, showing the lid in a closed position; FIG. 7 is a sectional view of the reclosable container lid taken along line 7—7 of FIG. 1, showing the contour of the lid; FIG. 8 is a perspective view of another embodiment of a reclosable container lid of the invention, showing the lid in a closed position and an alternate tab; FIG. 9 is a side view of the reclosable container lid of FIG. 8; FIG. 10 is a side view of the reclosable container lid of FIG. 8; FIG. 11 is a side view of the reclosable container lid of FIG. 8; FIG. 12 is a side view of the reclosable container lid of FIG. 8; FIG. 13 is a top view of the reclosable container lid of FIG. 8, showing the lid in a closed position; and, FIG. 14 is a sectional view of the reclosable container lid taken along line 14—14 of FIG. 8, showing the contour of the lid.
Broken lines in the Figures form no part of the claimed design.

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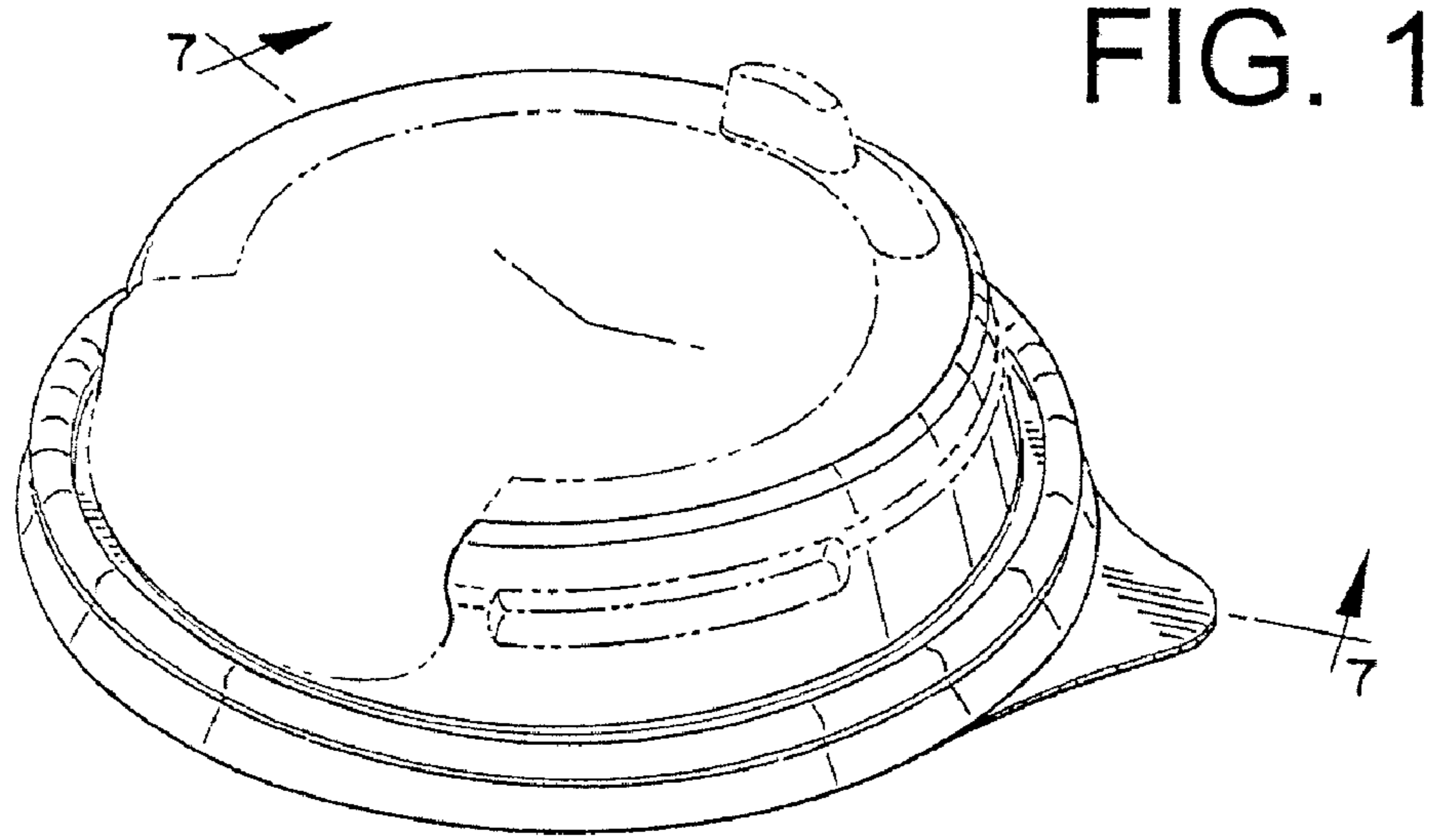


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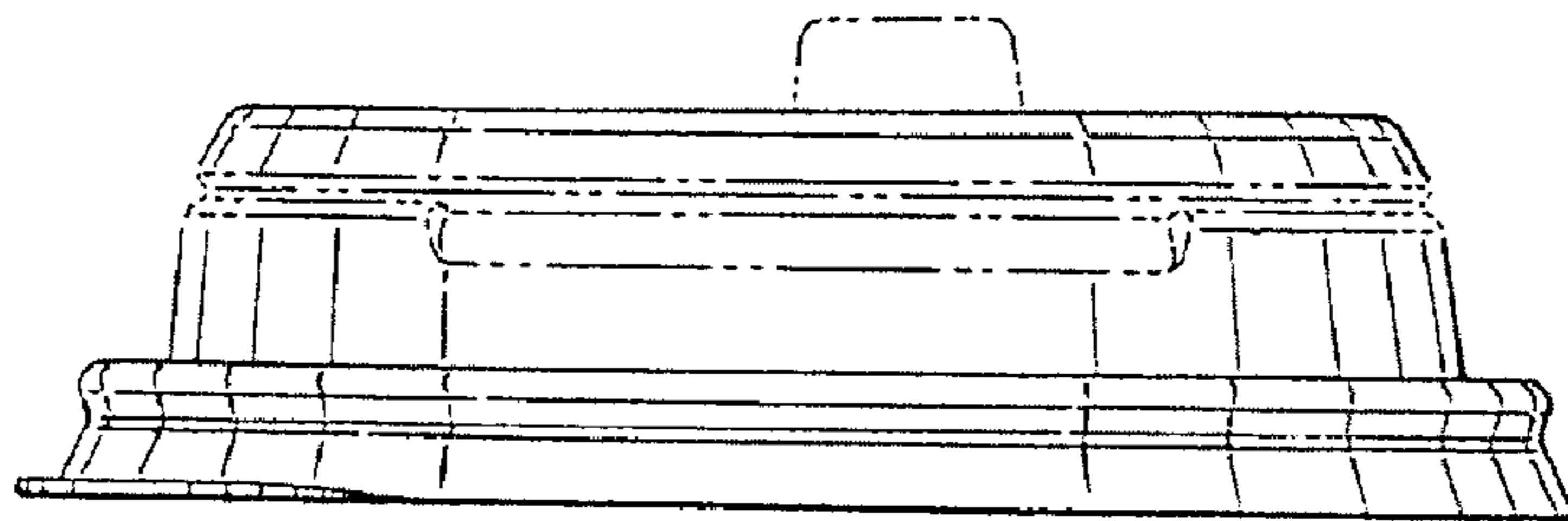


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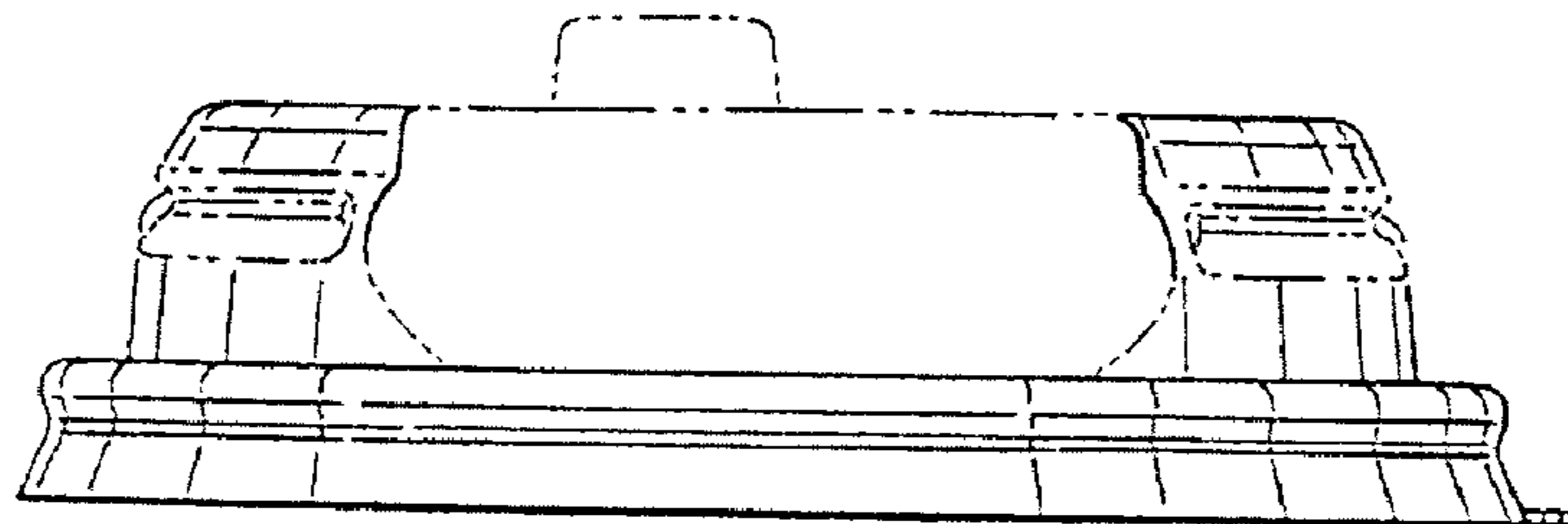


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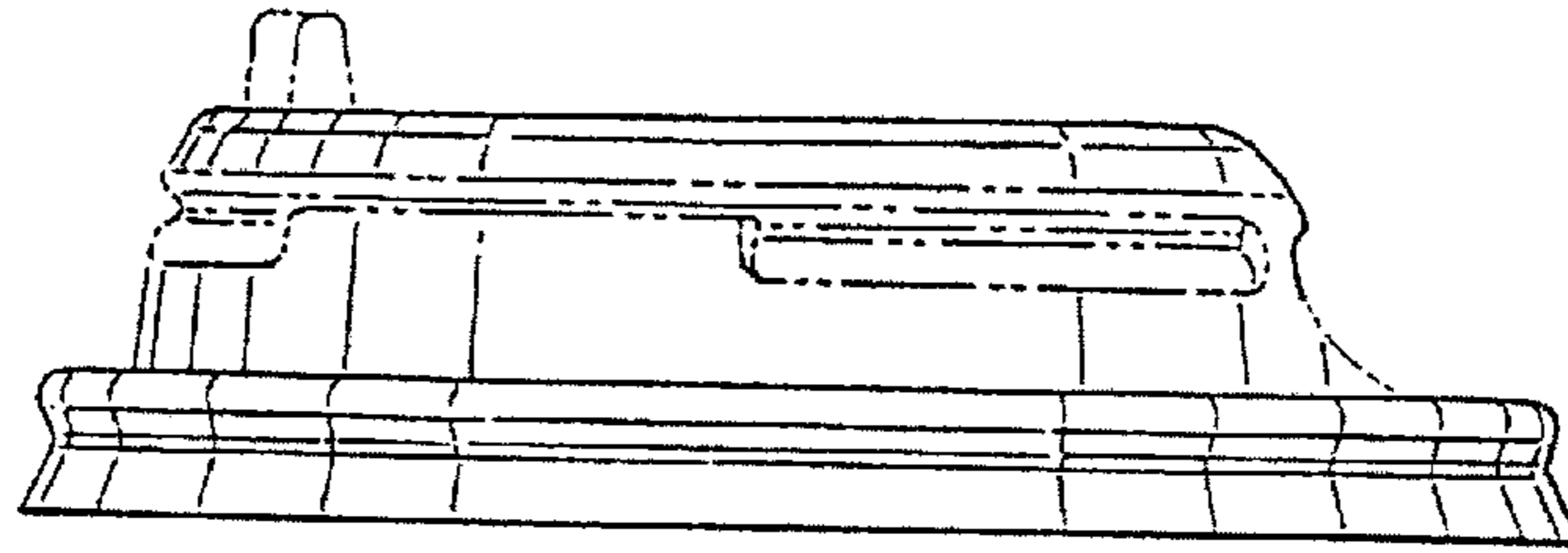


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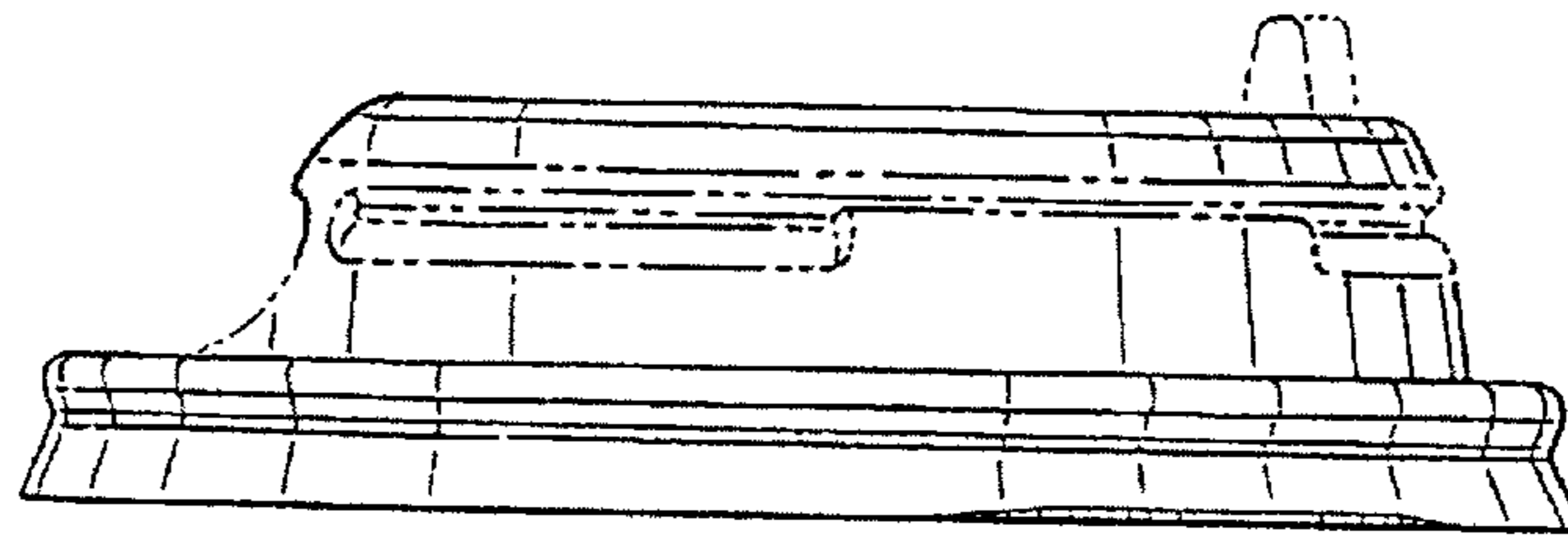


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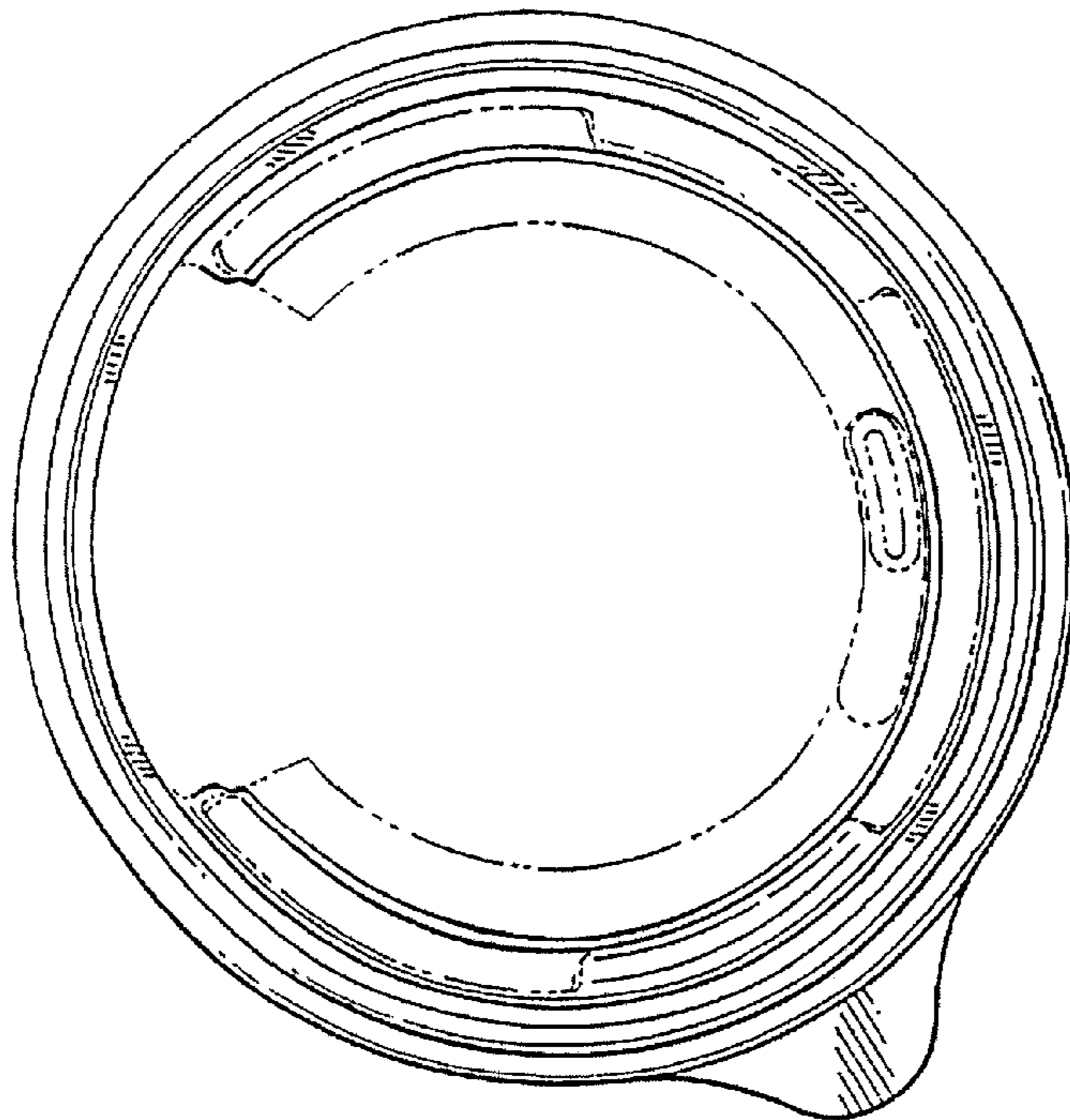


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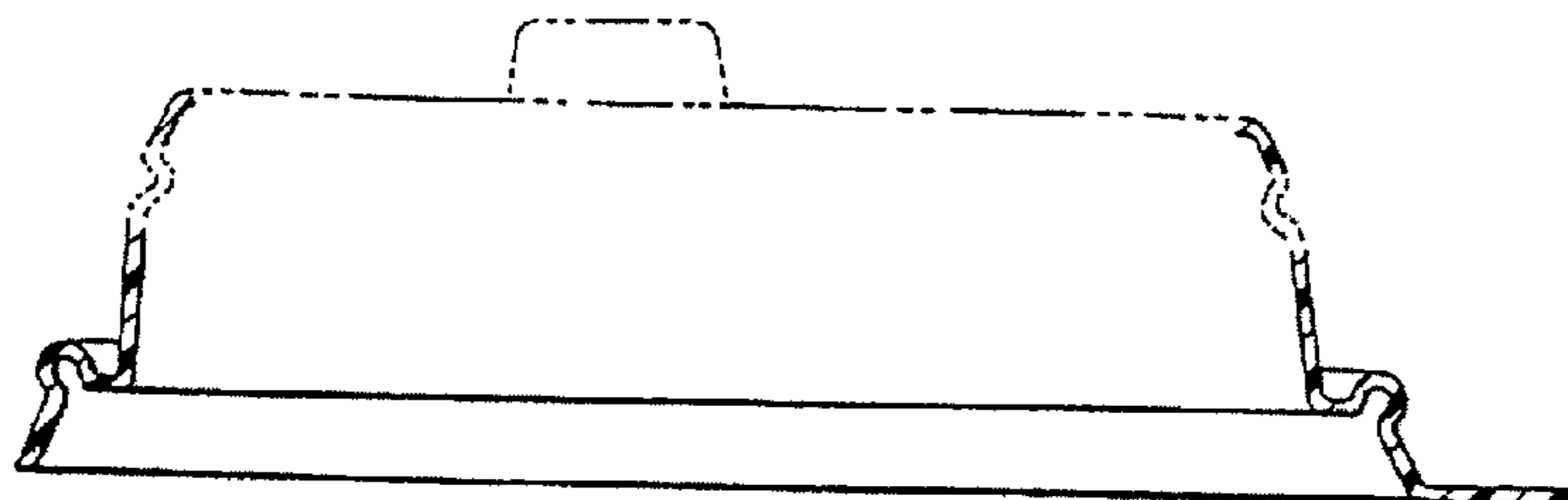


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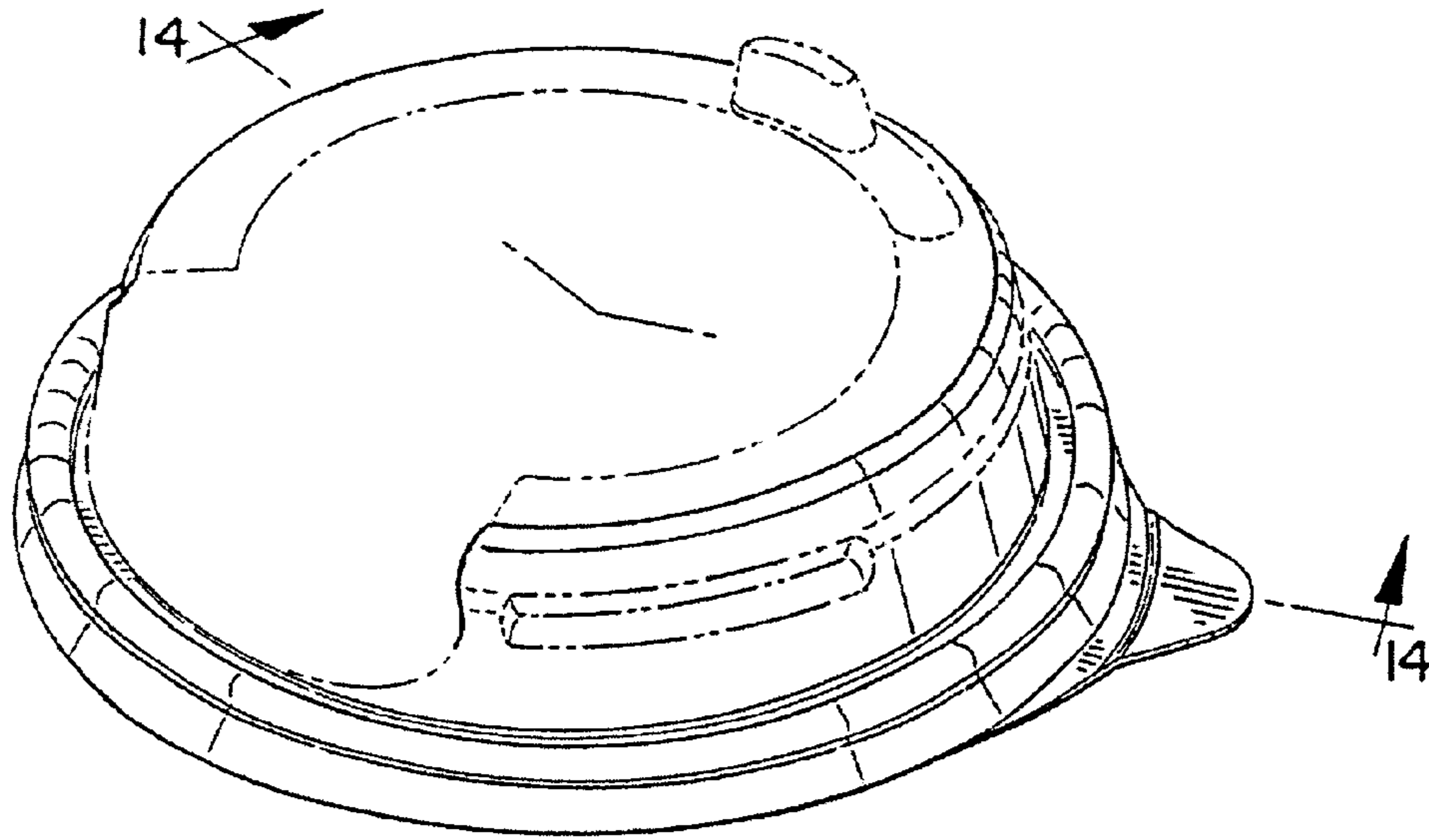


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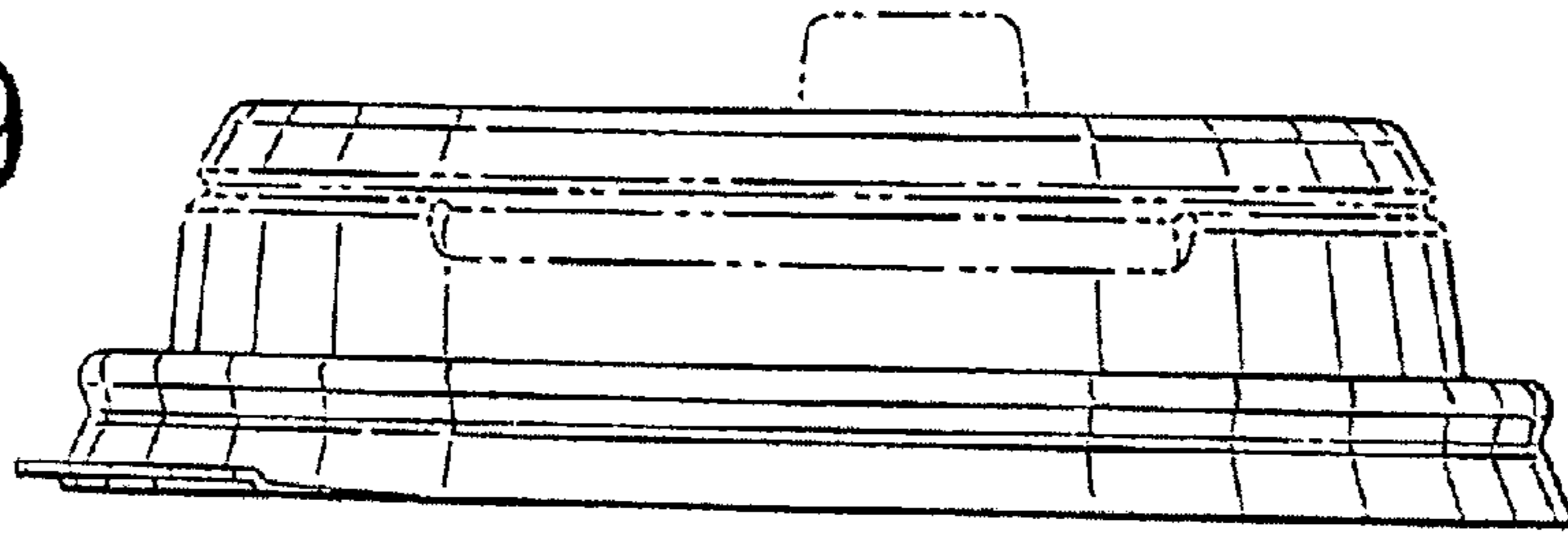


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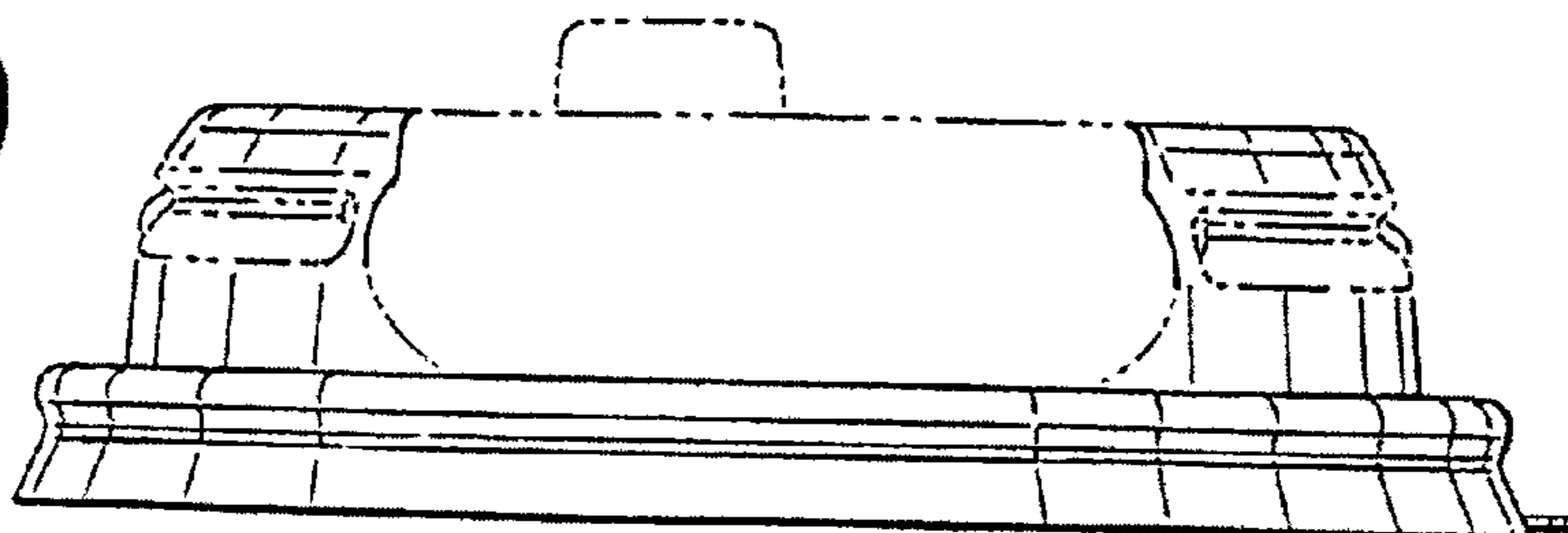


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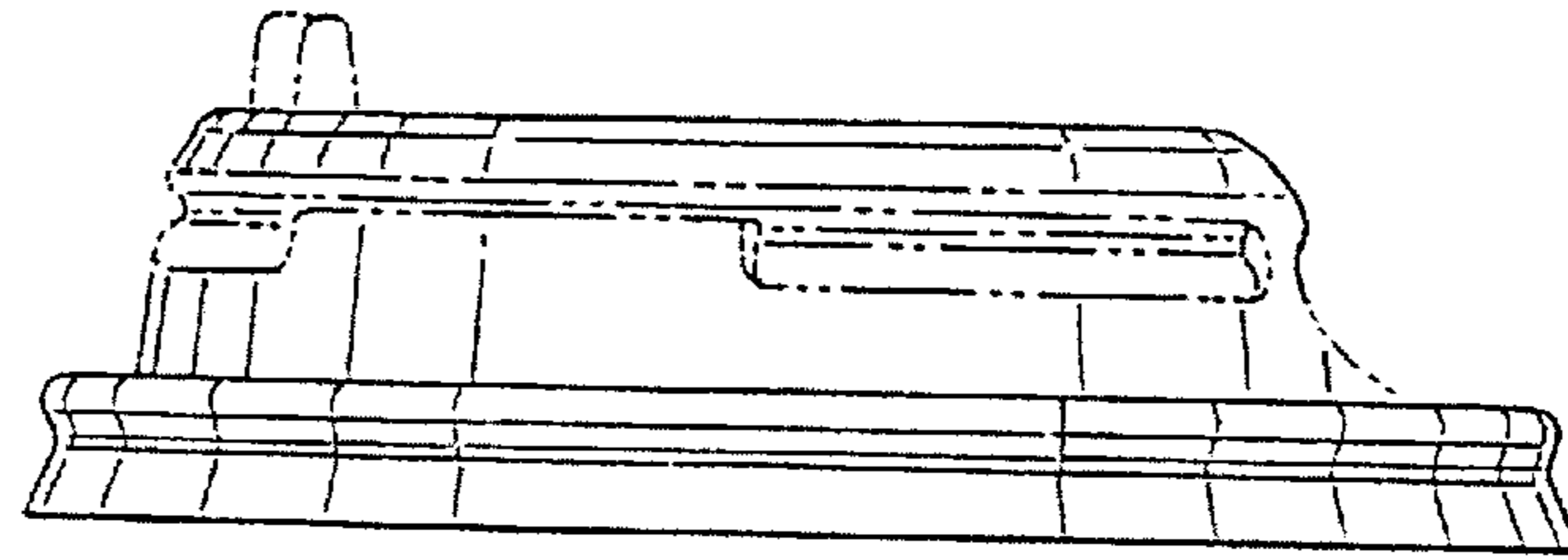


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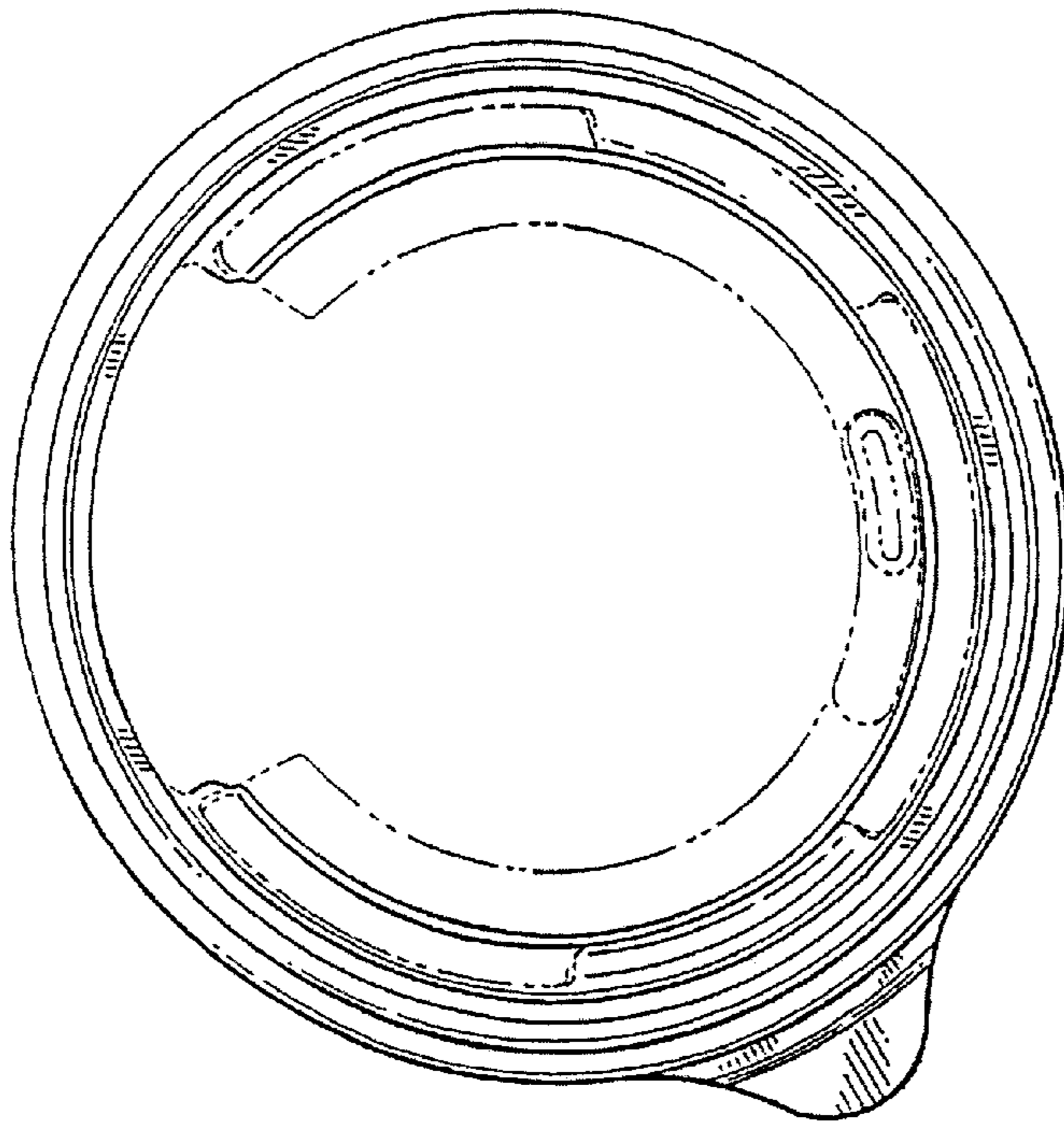
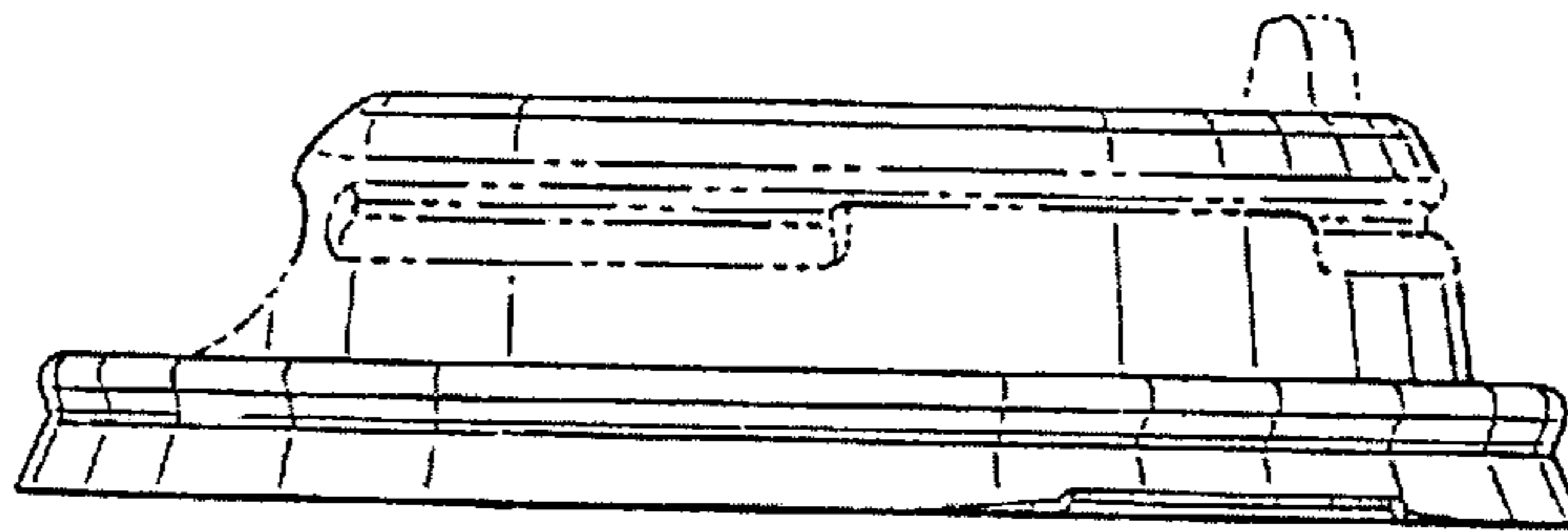


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