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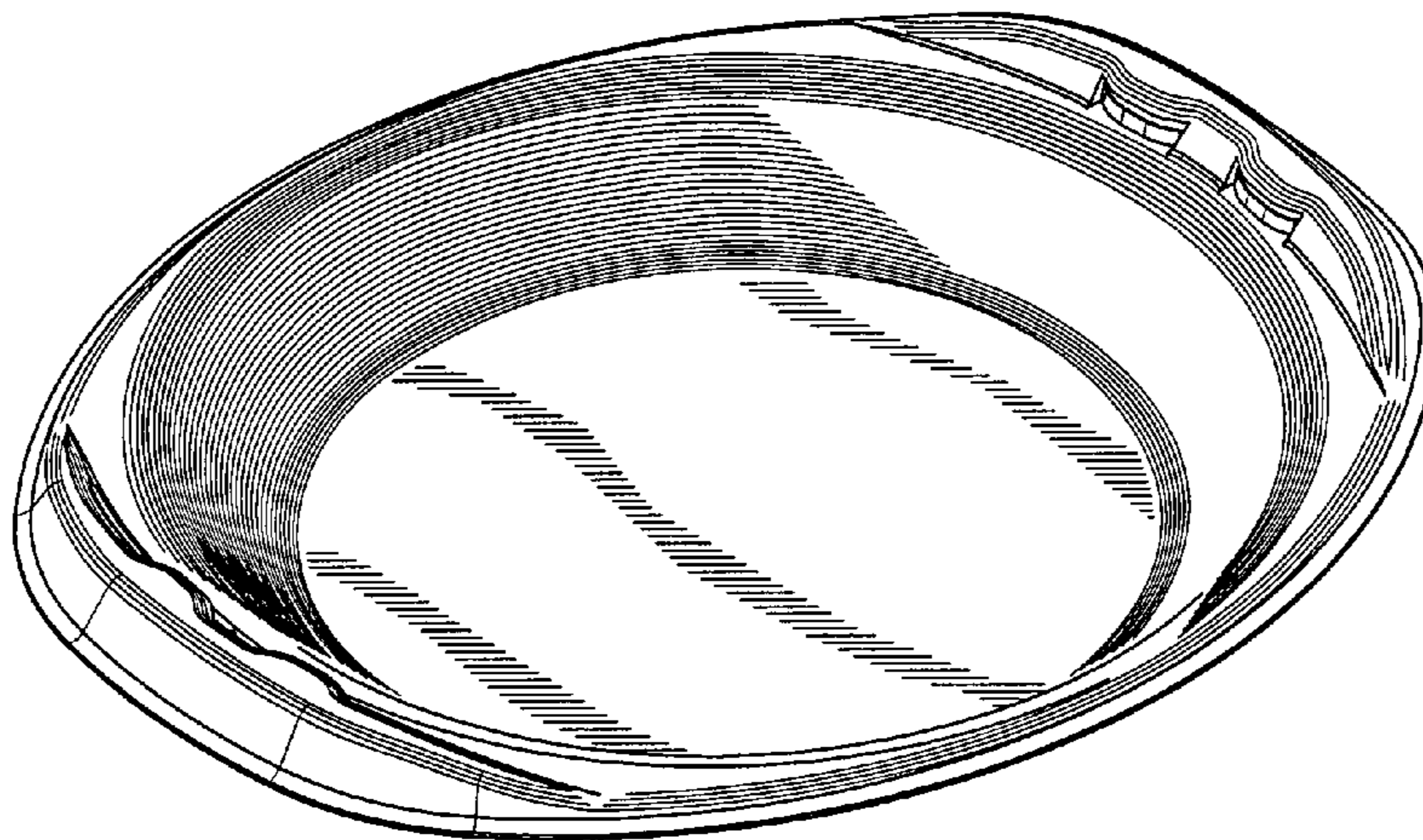
(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a interlocking container, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a lid for a container;
FIG. 2 is a top plan view of the lid for a container of FIG. 1;
FIG. 3 is a bottom plan view of the lid for a container of FIG. 1;
FIG. 4 is a side elevational view of the container of FIG. 1, the opposite side being identical; and,
FIG. 5 is an end elevational view of the container of FIG. 1, the opposite side being identical.

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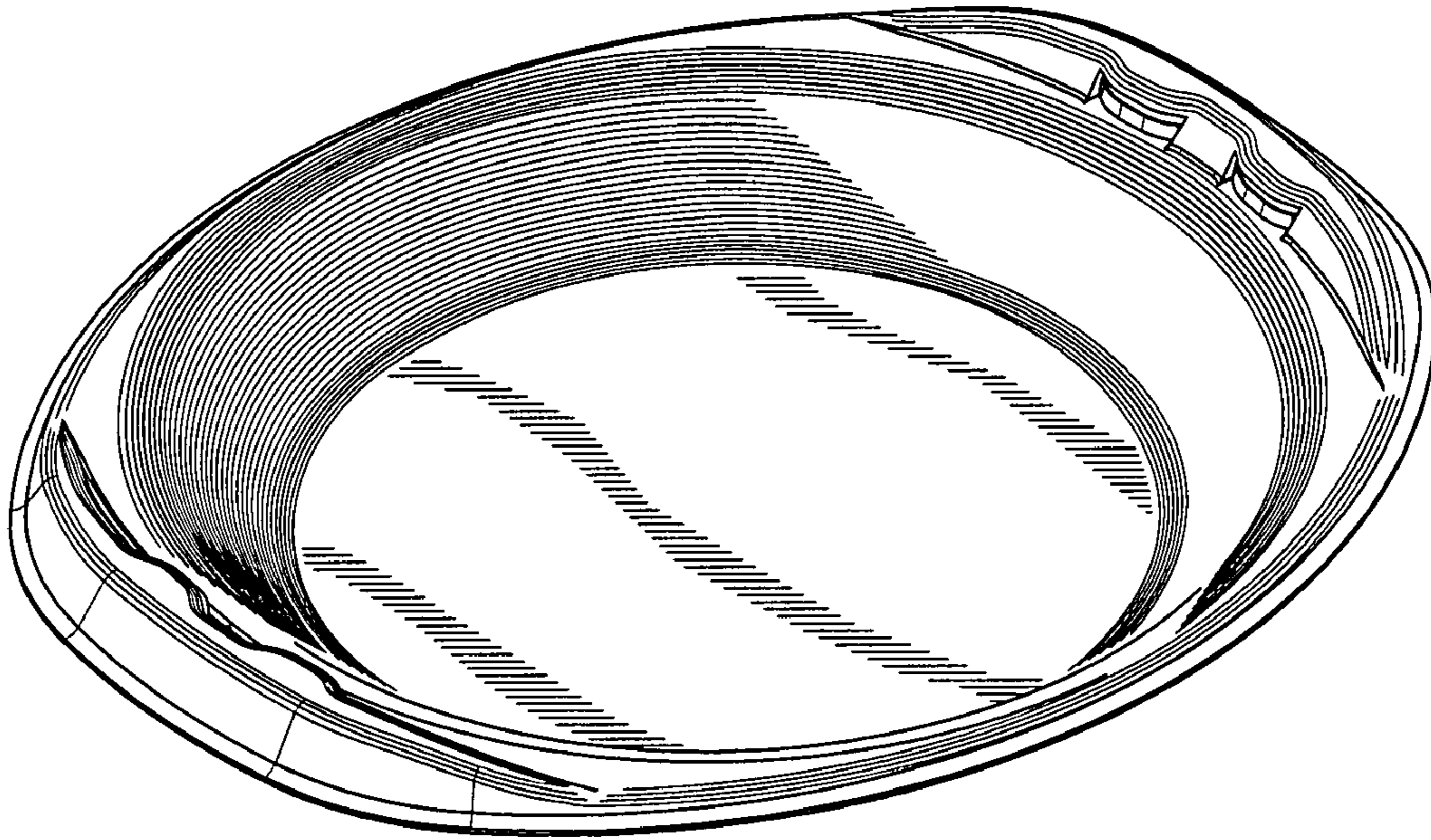


Fig.1

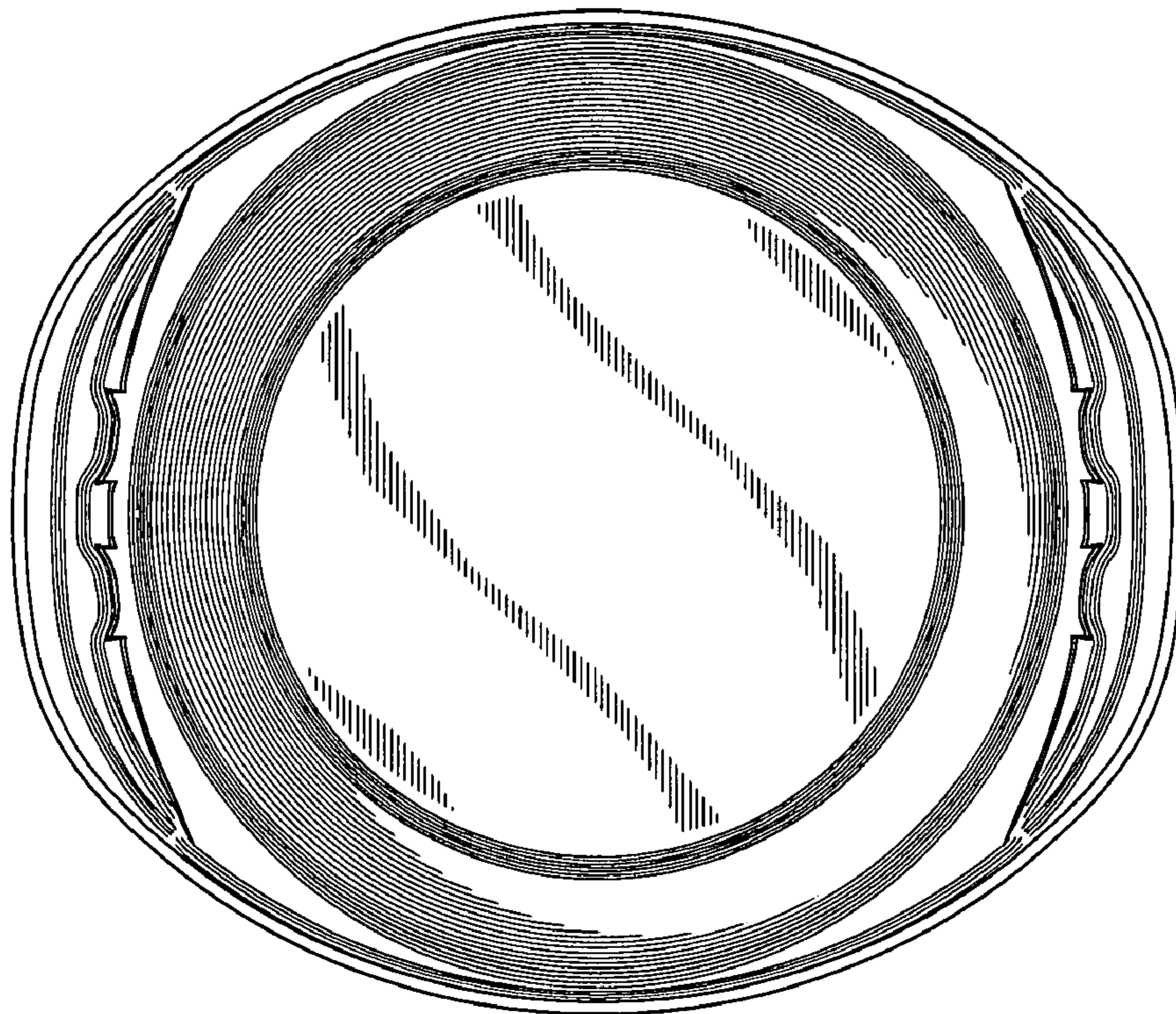


Fig.2

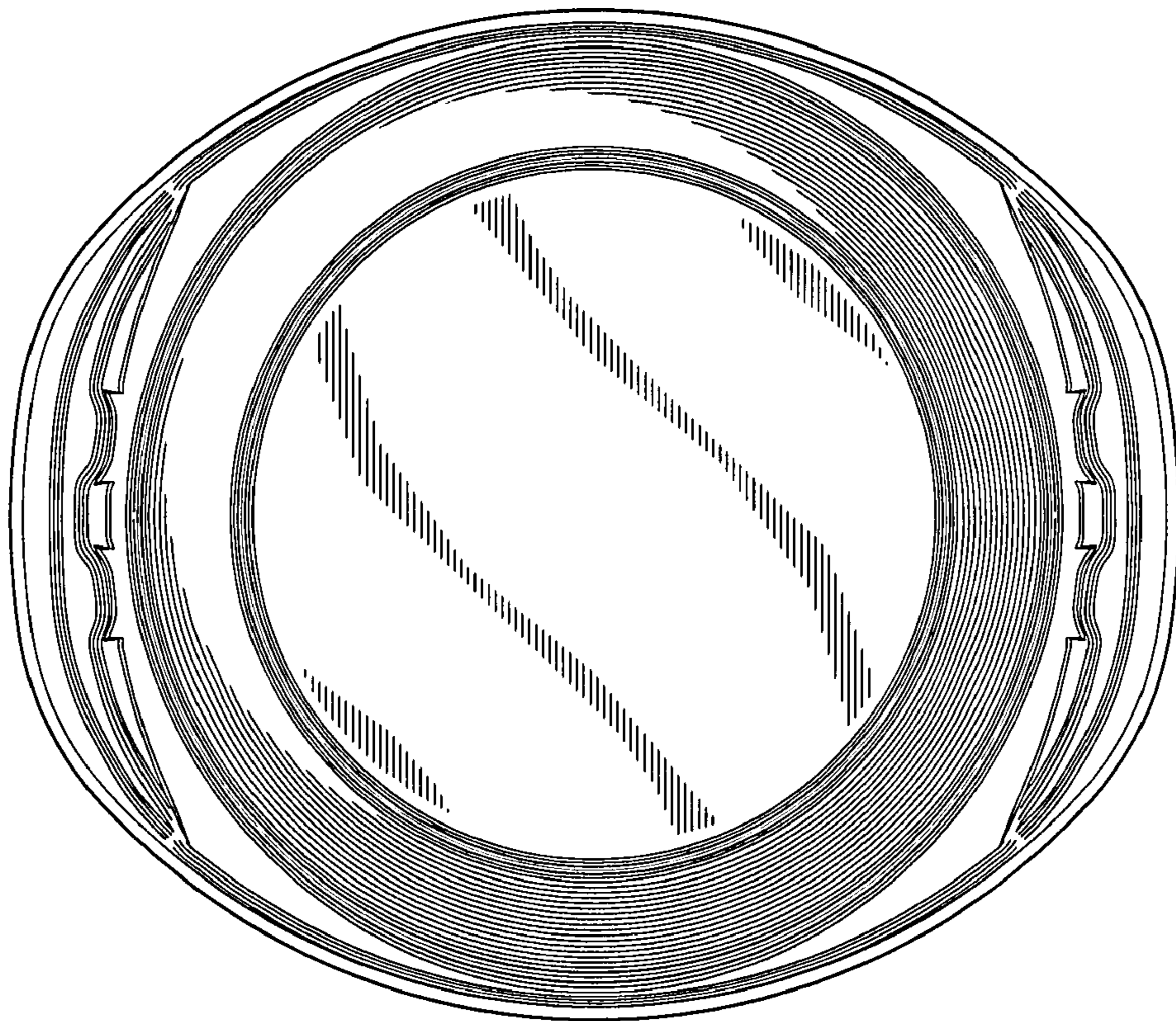


Fig.3

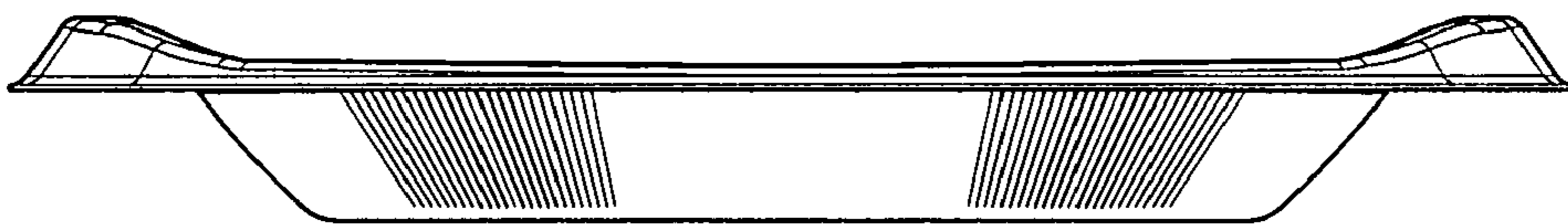


Fig.4

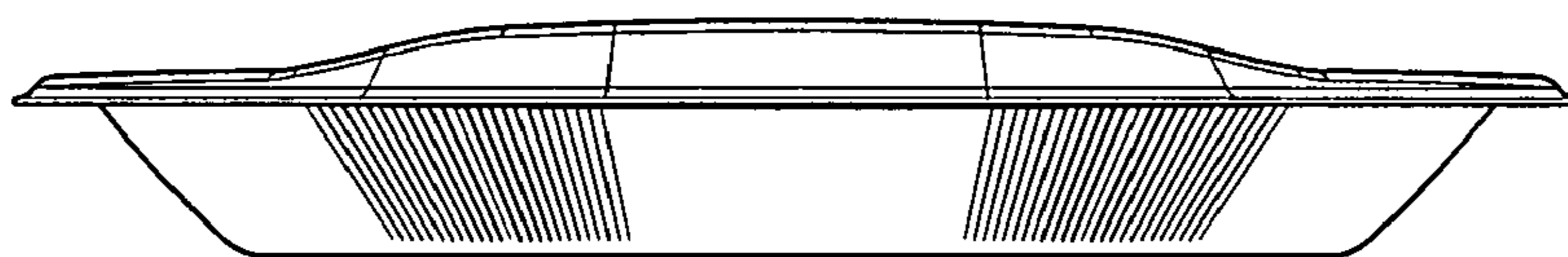


Fig.5