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(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a mechanical coupling, as shown and described.

**DESCRIPTION**

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of our design for a pipe coupling;

FIG. 2 is an end view of the pipe coupling shown in FIG. 6 thereof, the opposite end view being identical thereto;

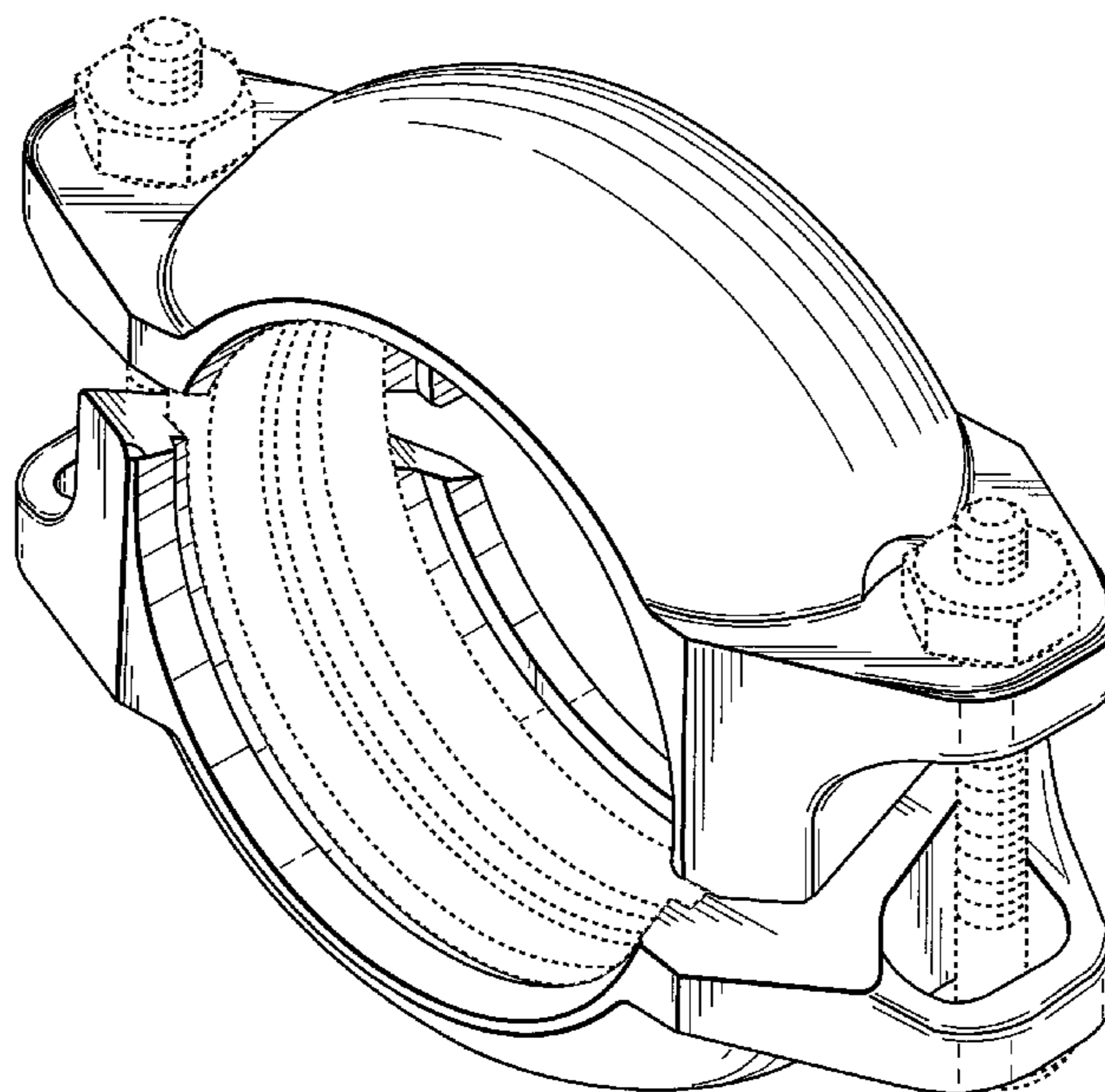
FIG. 3 is a side view of the pipe coupling thereof, the opposite side view being identical thereto;

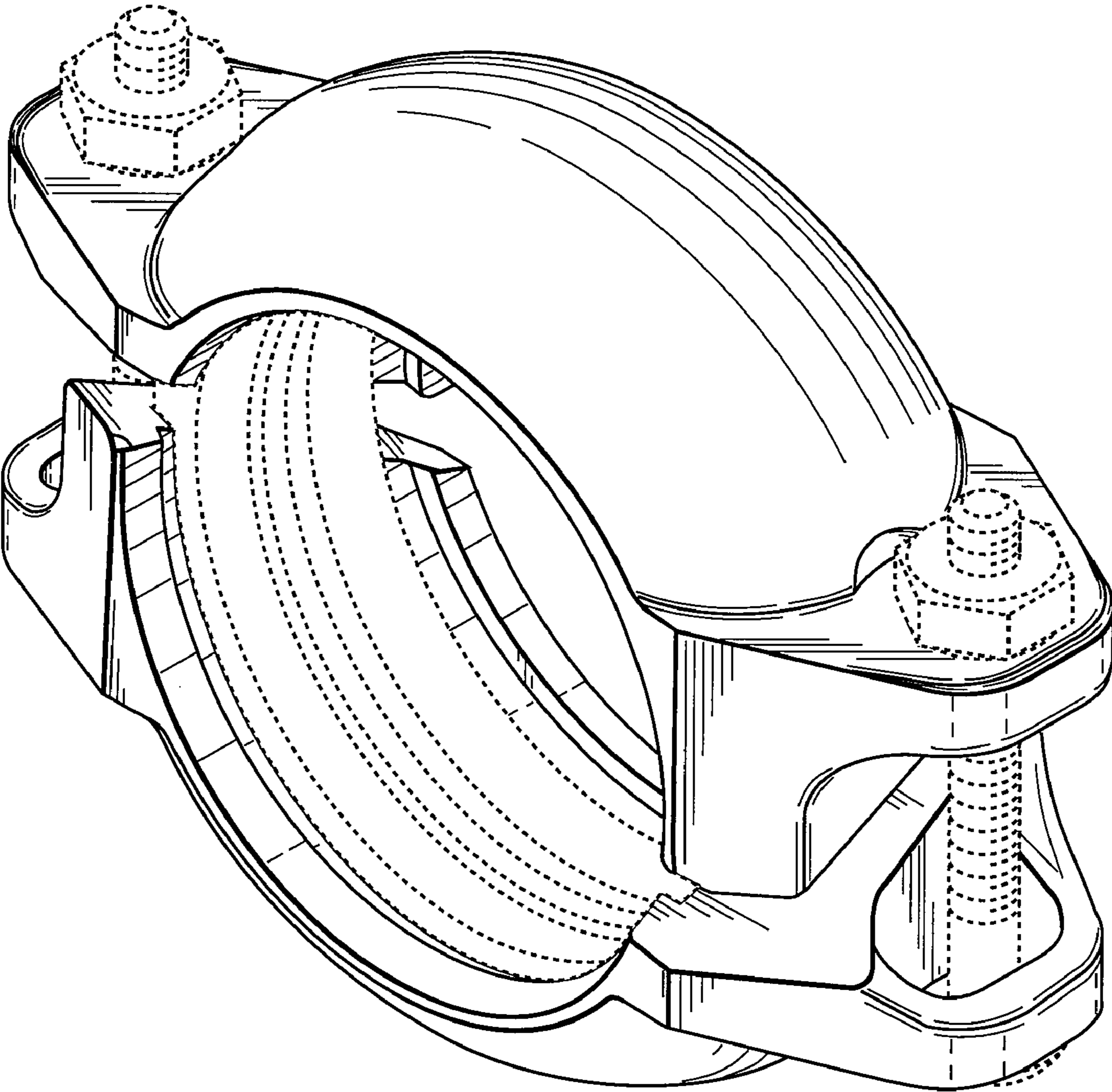
FIG. 4 is a top view of the pipe coupling thereof; and,

FIG. 5 is a bottom view of the pipe coupling.

The broken lines shown in FIGS. 1–5 are shown for illustrative purposes only and form no part of the claimed design.

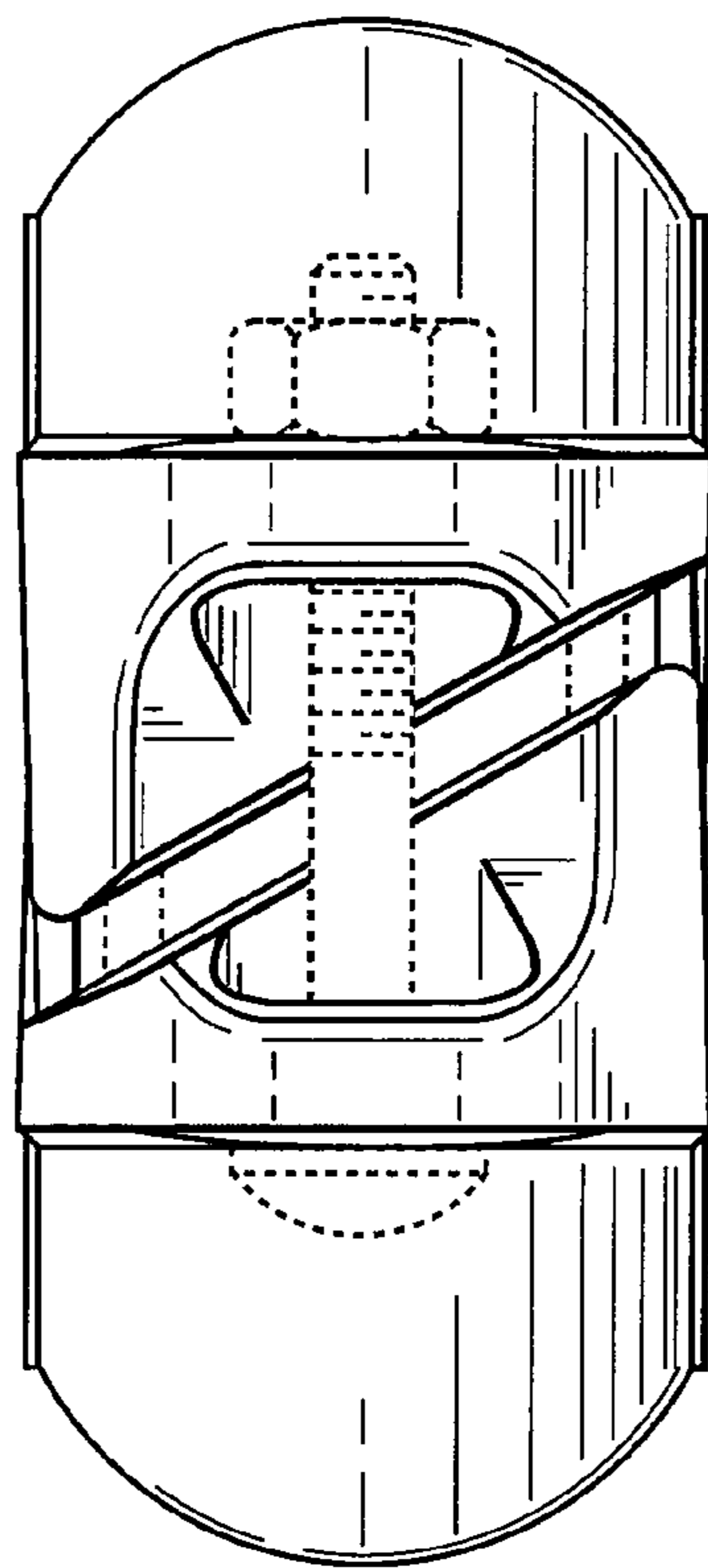
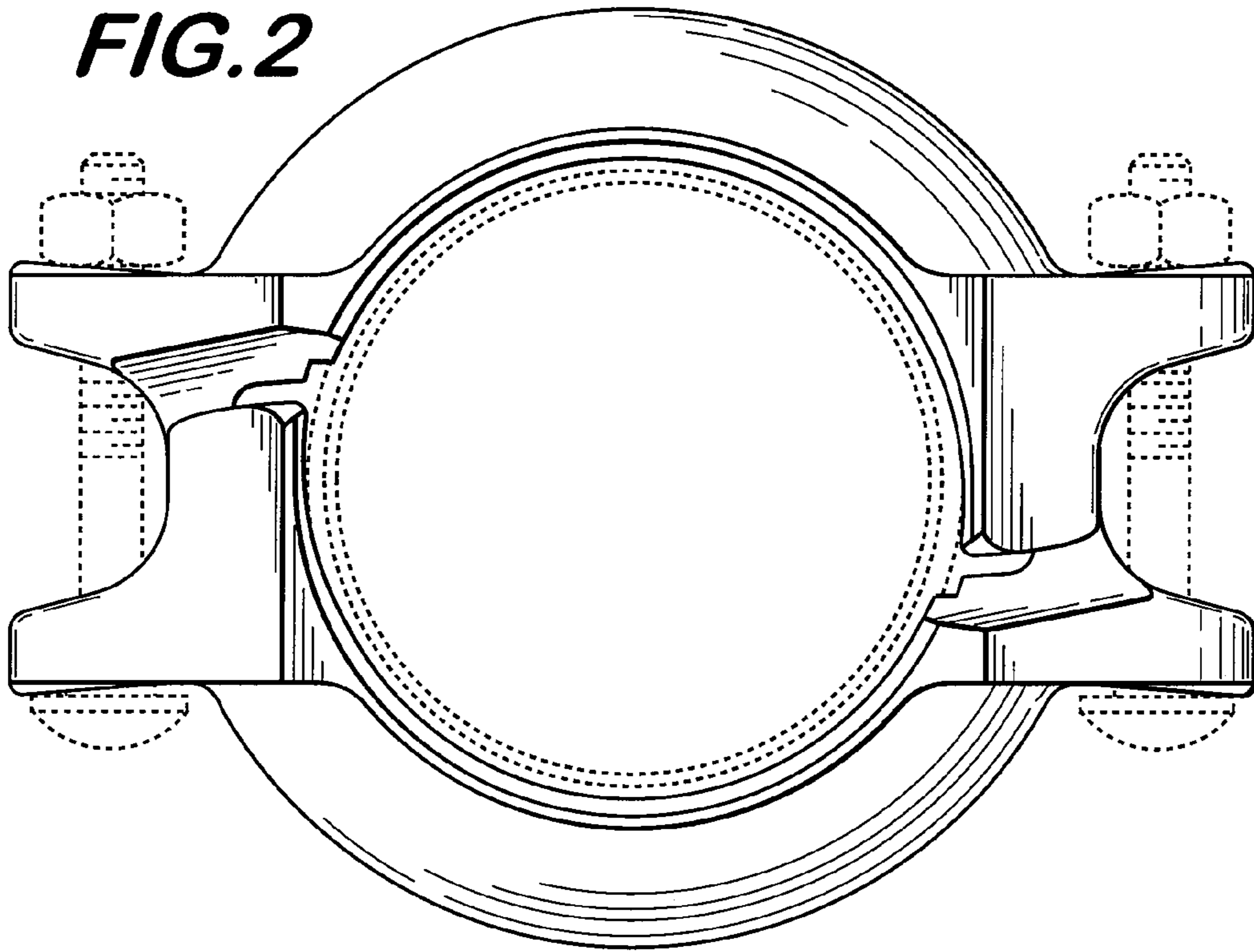
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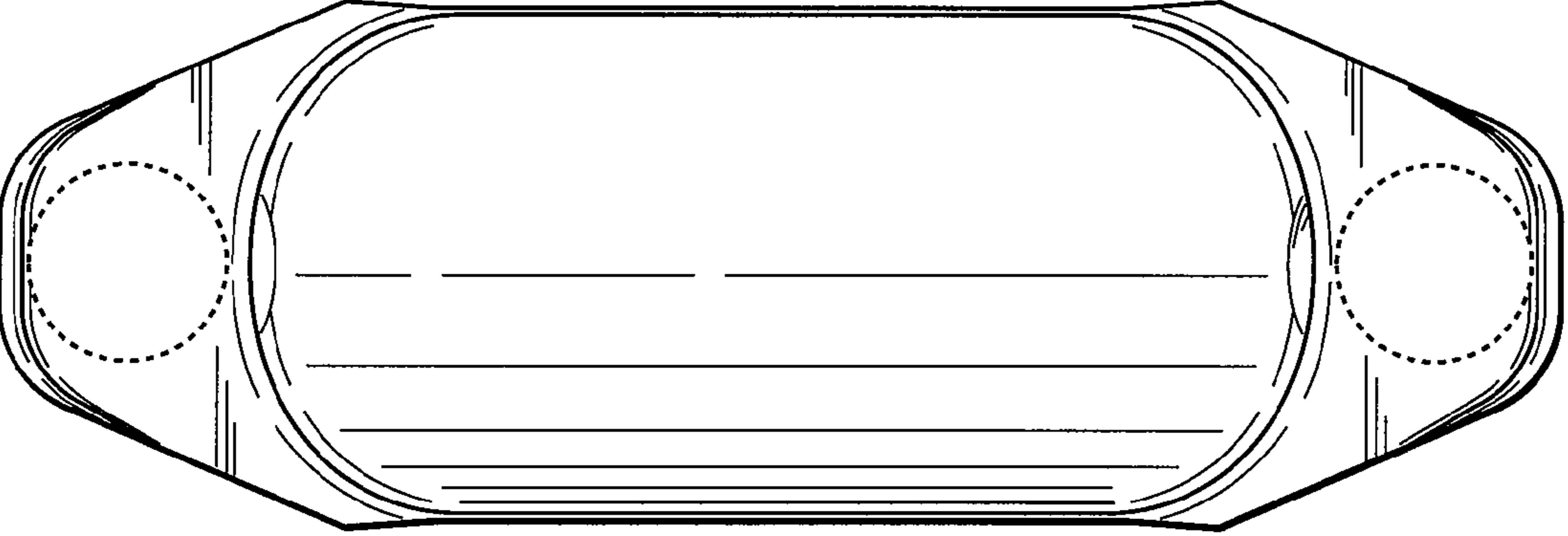
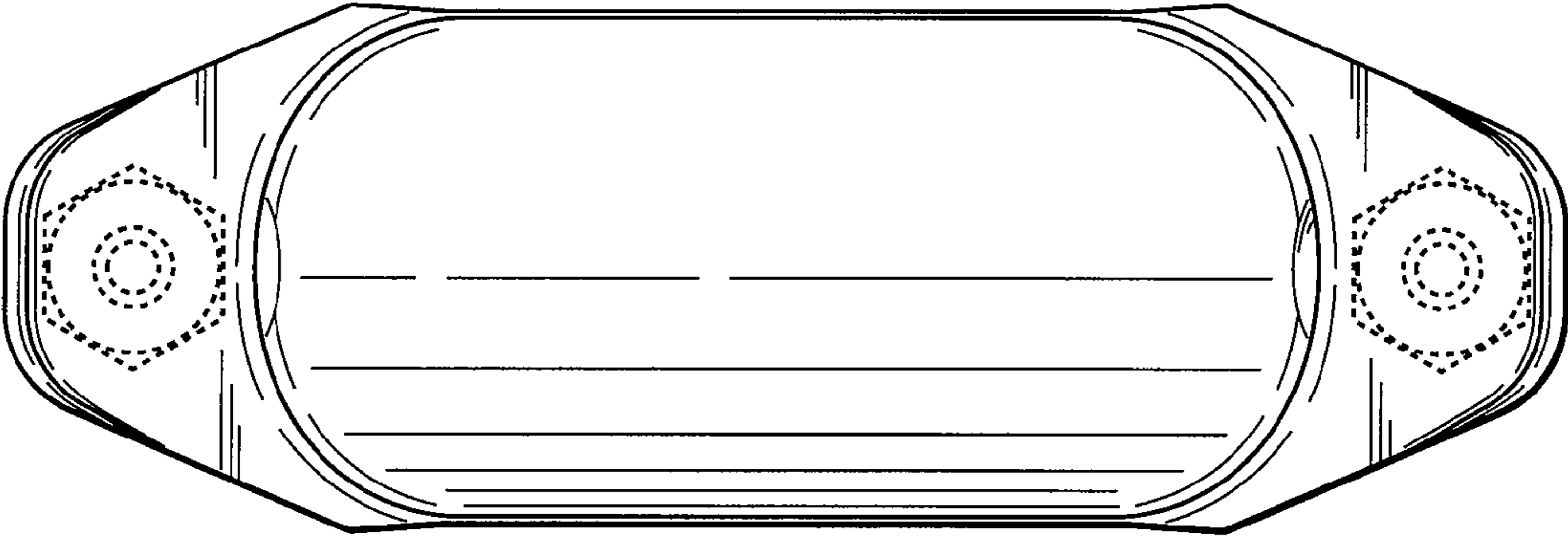
**FIG. 1**

**FIG. 2**



**FIG. 3**

**FIG. 4**



**FIG. 5**