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(54) **APPARATUS TO CONTROL FLUID FLOW THROUGH A TUBE**

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The ornamental design for an apparatus to control fluid flow through a tube, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

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FIG. 1 is a front, top, and right side perspective view of the apparatus to control fluid flow through a tube, showing my new design;

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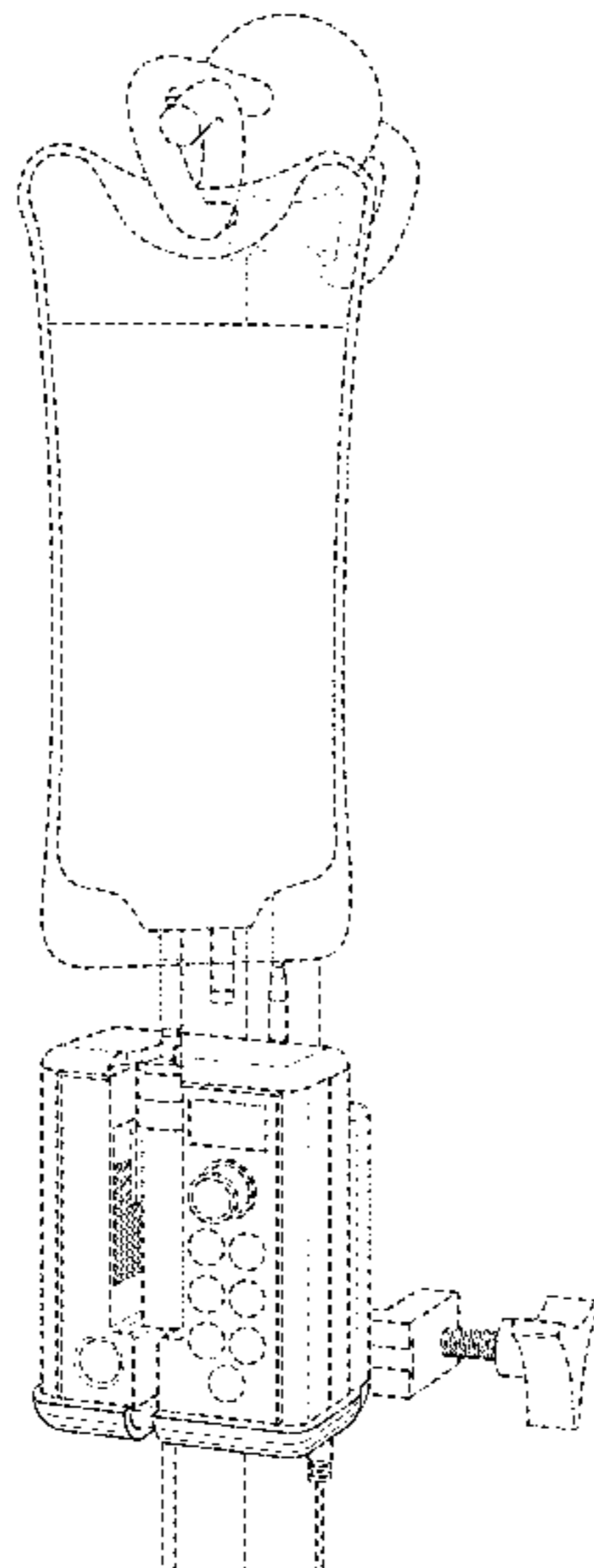
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FIG. 2 is a front side elevational view thereof;
FIG. 3 is a back side elevational view thereof;
FIG. 4 is a left side elevational view thereof;
FIG. 5 is a right side elevational view thereof;
FIG. 6 is a top plan view thereof; and,
FIG. 7 is a bottom plan view thereof.

The broken lines in the drawings depict portions of the apparatus to control fluid flow through a tube that form no part of the claimed design.

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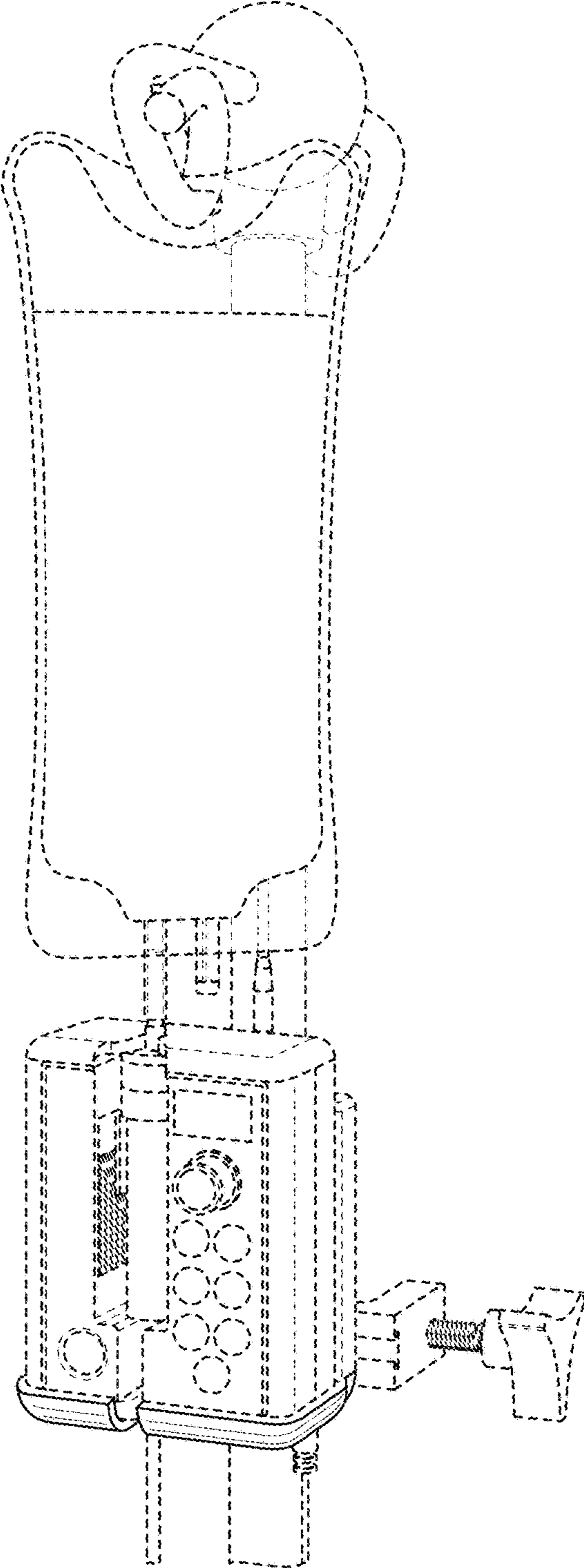


FIG. 1

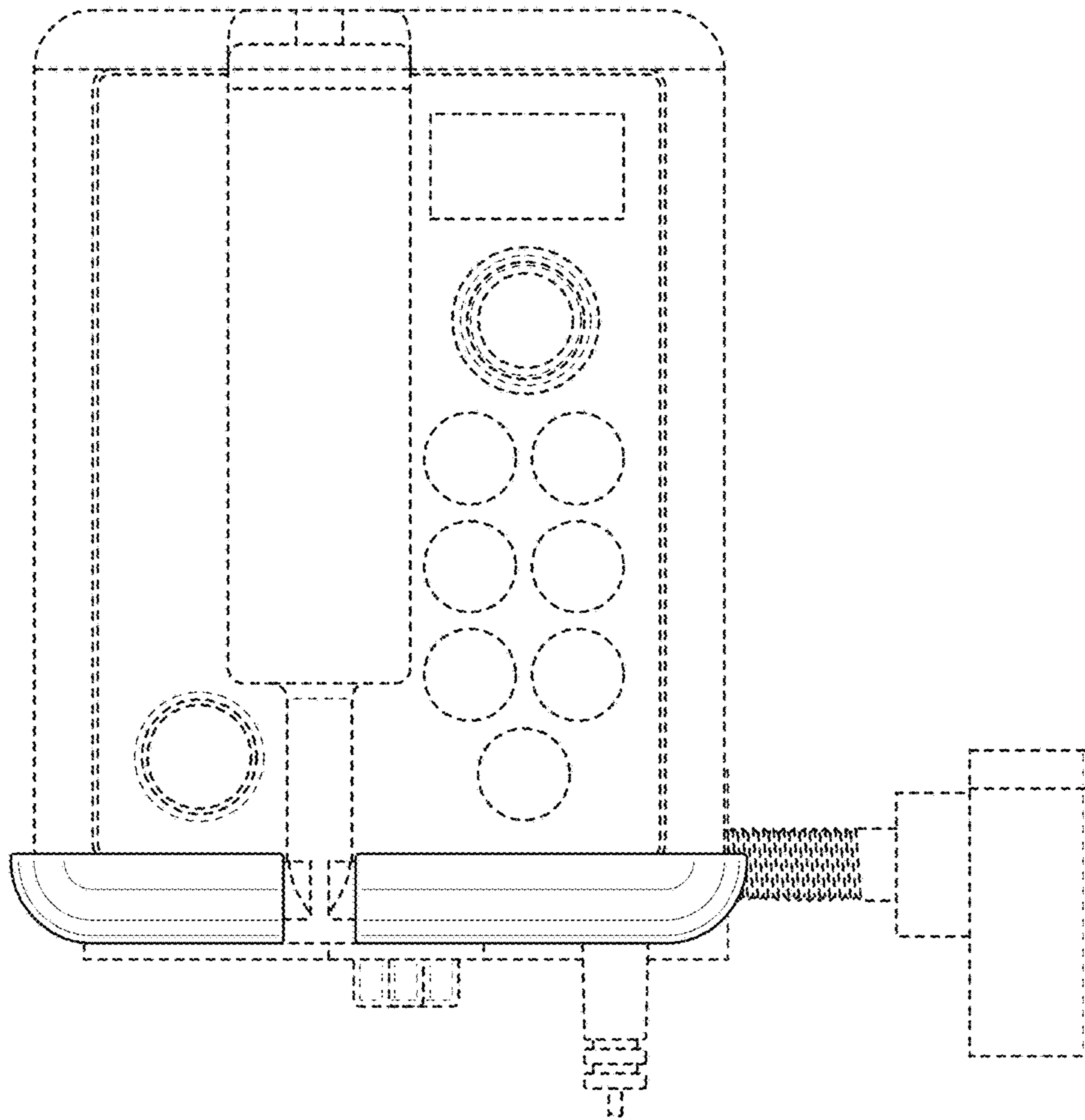


FIG. 2

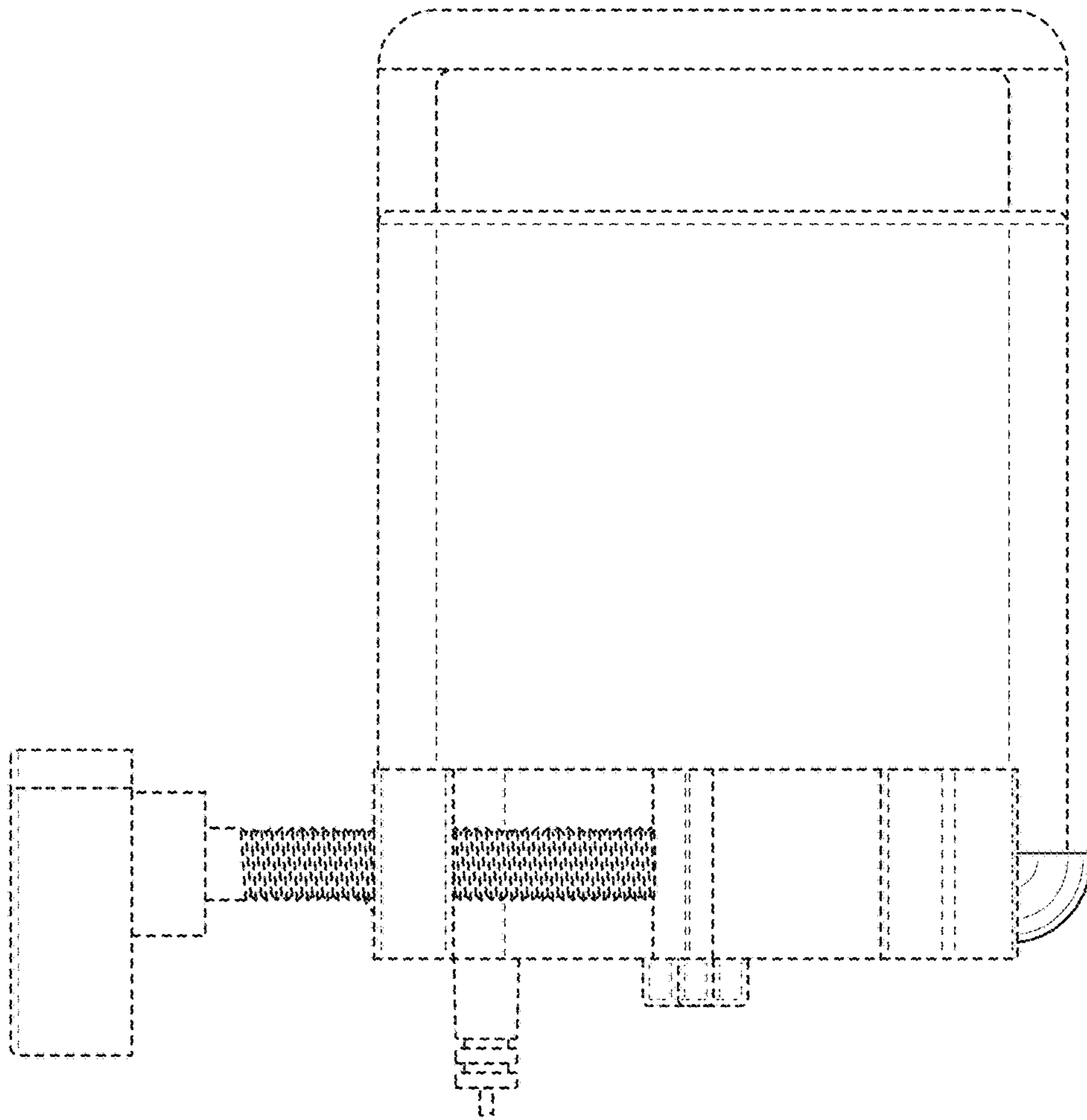


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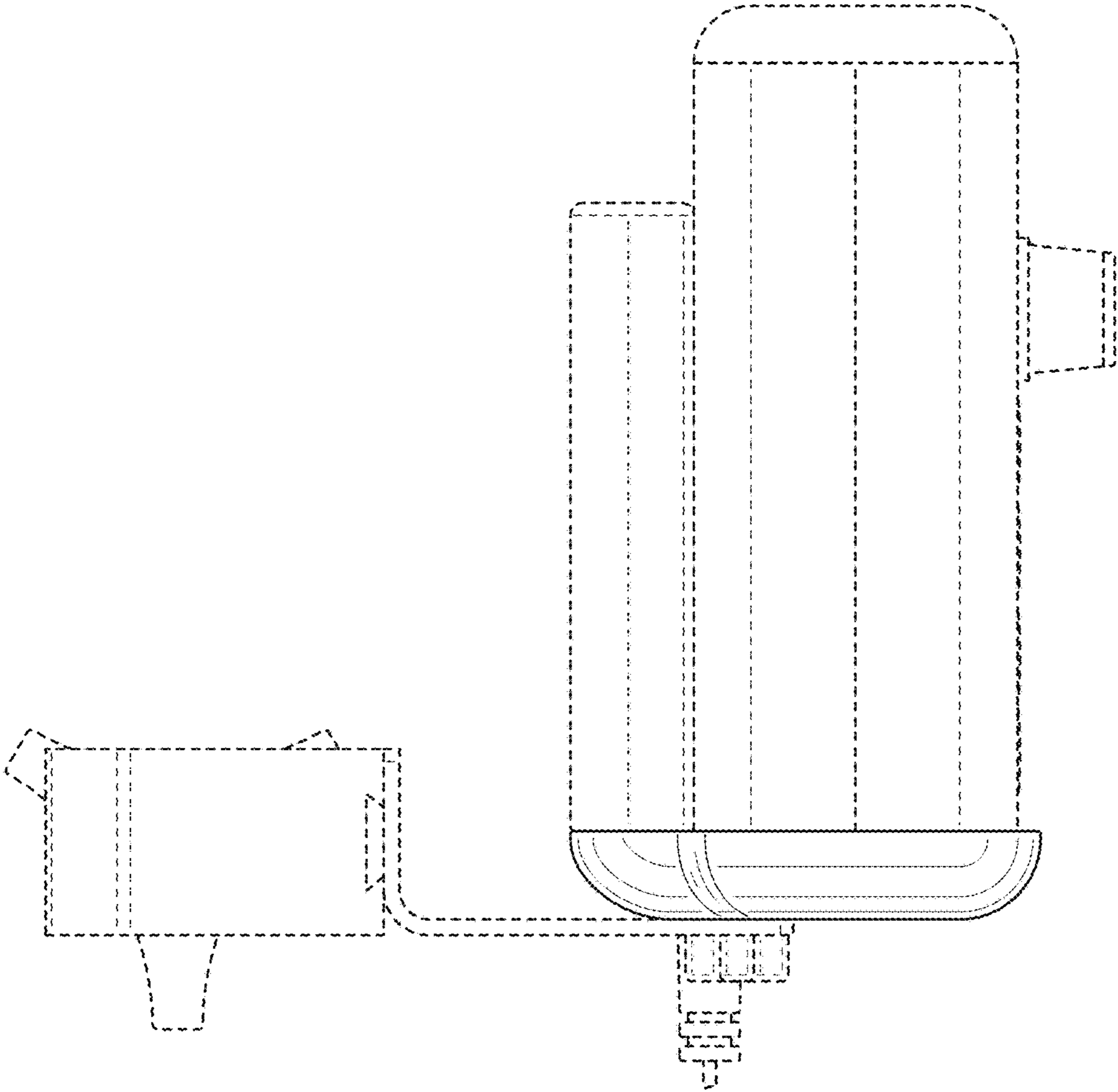


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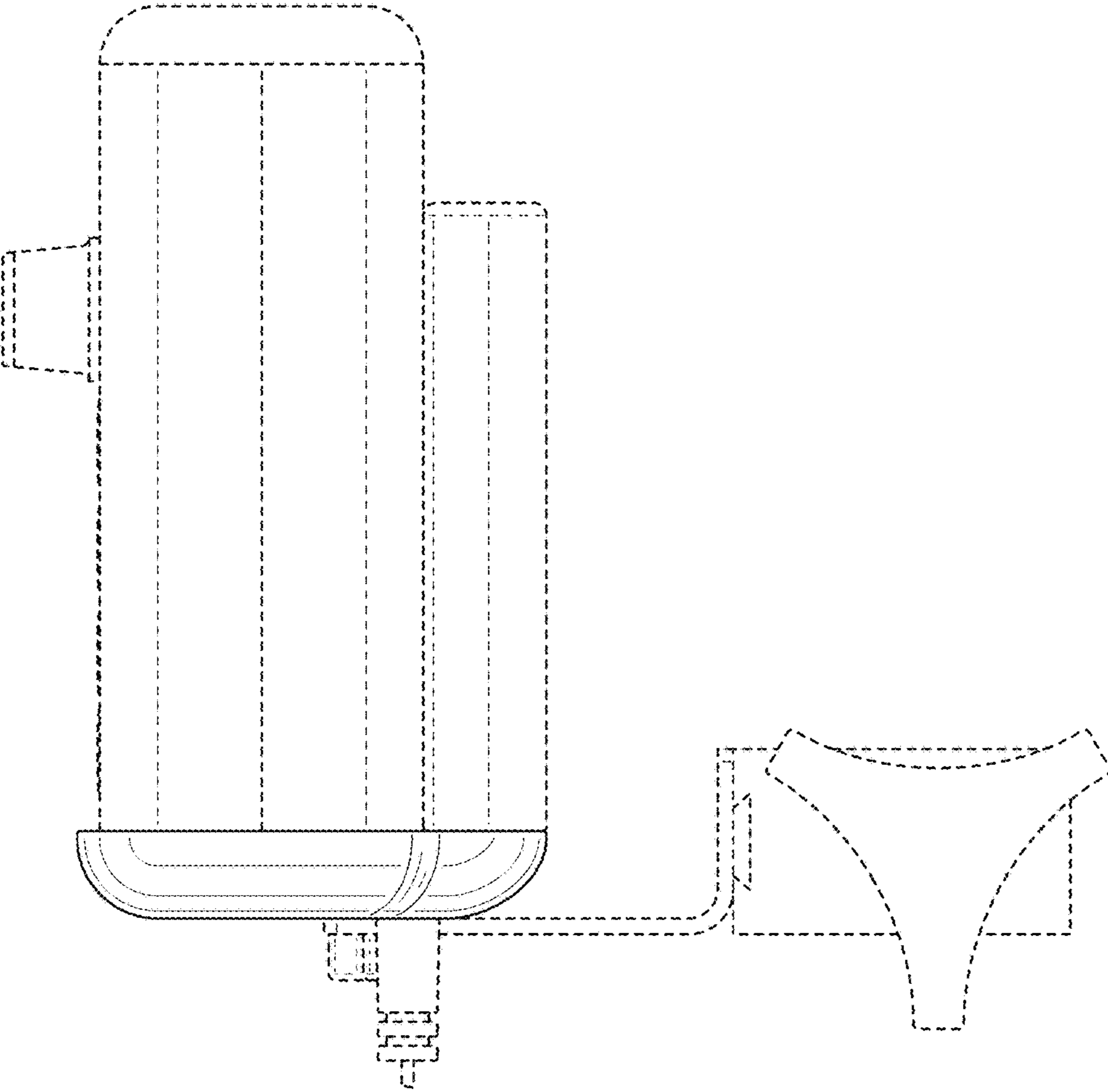


FIG. 5

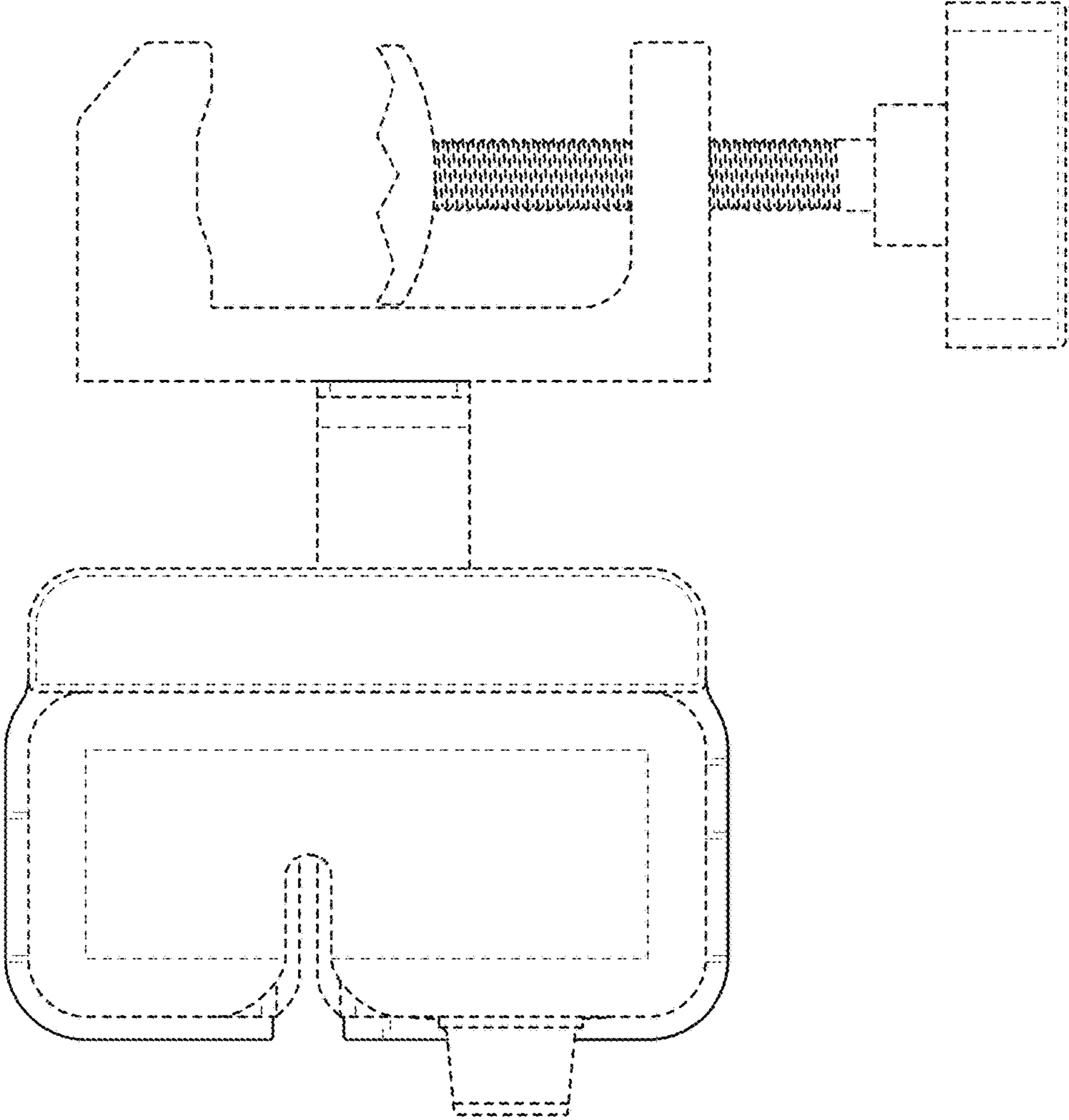


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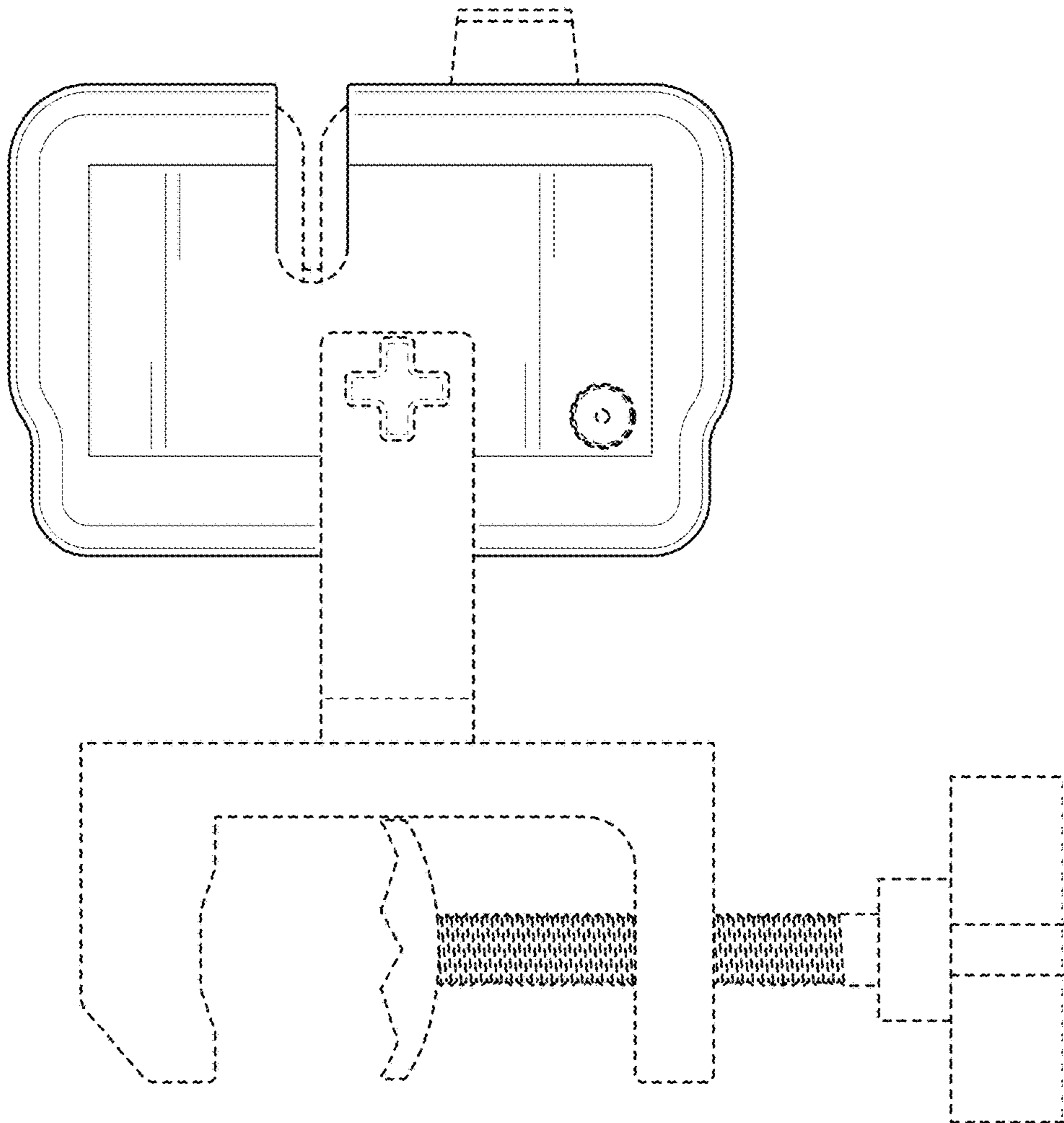


FIG. 7