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(57) **CLAIM**

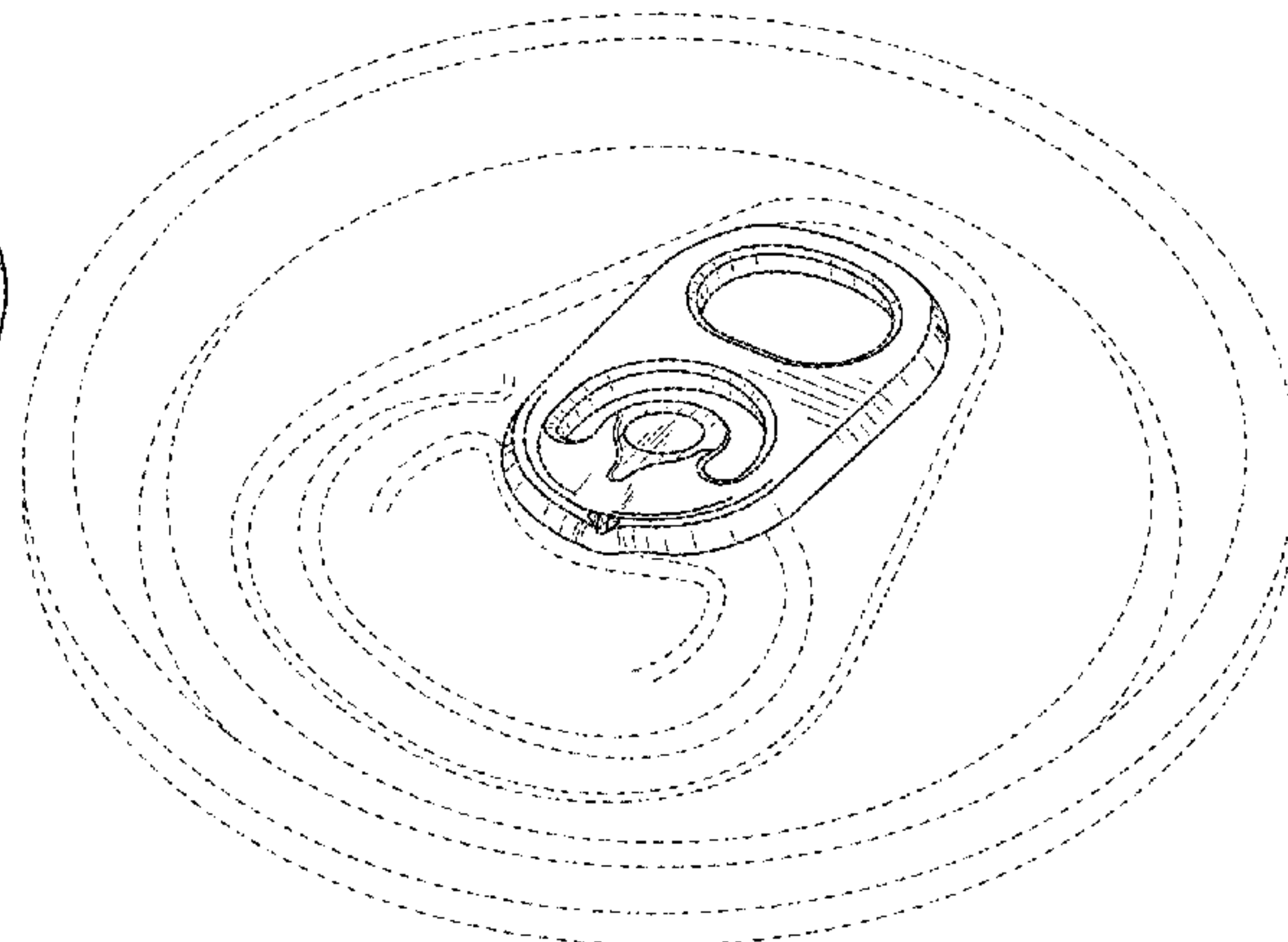
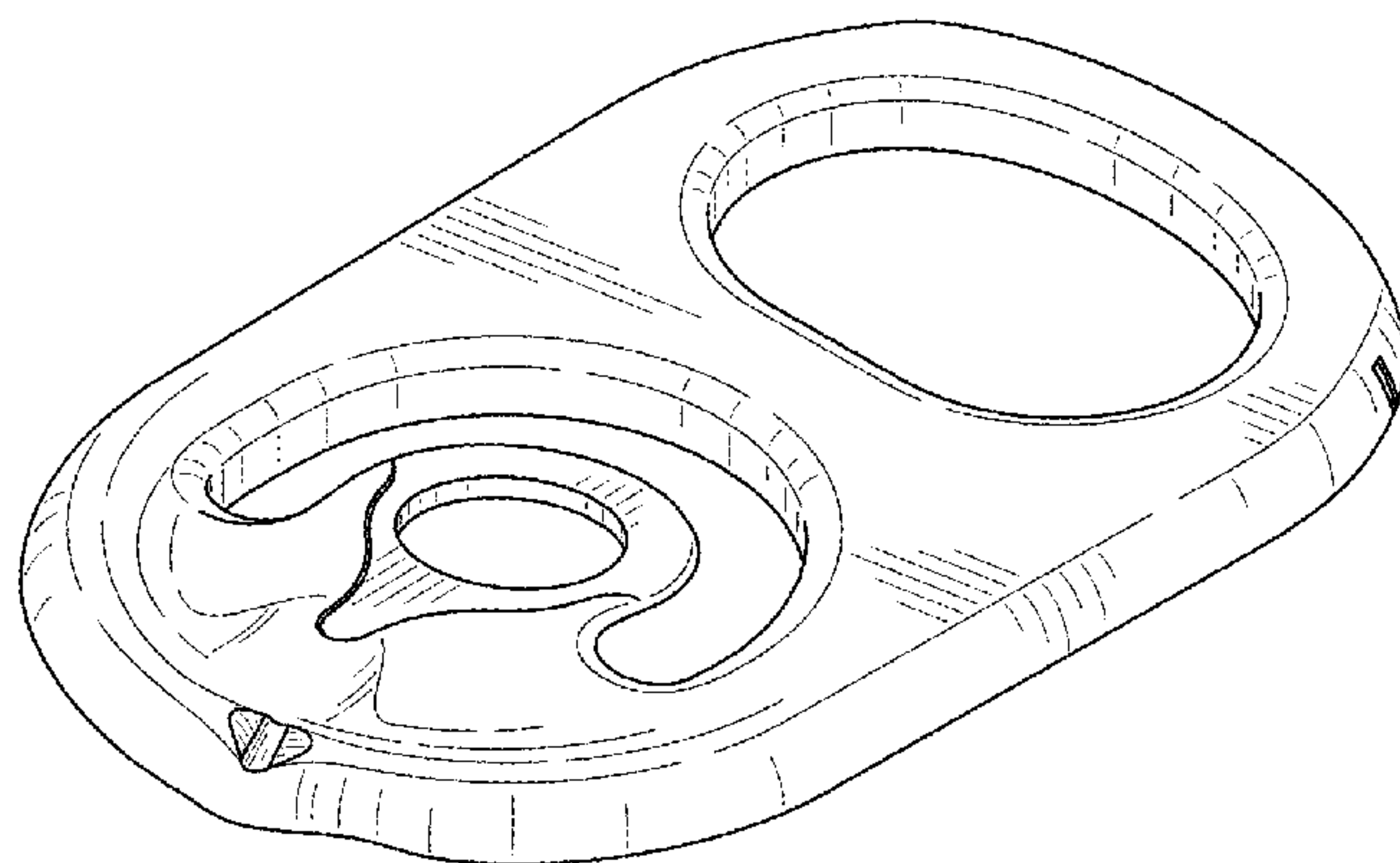
The ornamental design for a “tab,” as shown and described
in FIGS. 1-8.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a front perspective view of a tab.
FIG. 2 is a front side view of the tab of FIG. 1.
FIG. 3 is a rear side view of the tab of FIG. 1.
FIG. 4 is a left side view of the tab of FIG. 1.
FIG. 5 is a right side view of the tab of FIG. 1.
FIG. 6 is a top view of the tab of FIG. 1.
FIG. 7 is a bottom view of the tab of FIG. 1; and,
FIG. 8 is a front perspective view of the example tab of FIG.
1 coupled to an example can end.

The features shown in broken lines form no part of the
claimed design. The lighter solid lines denote surfaces
and/or contours.

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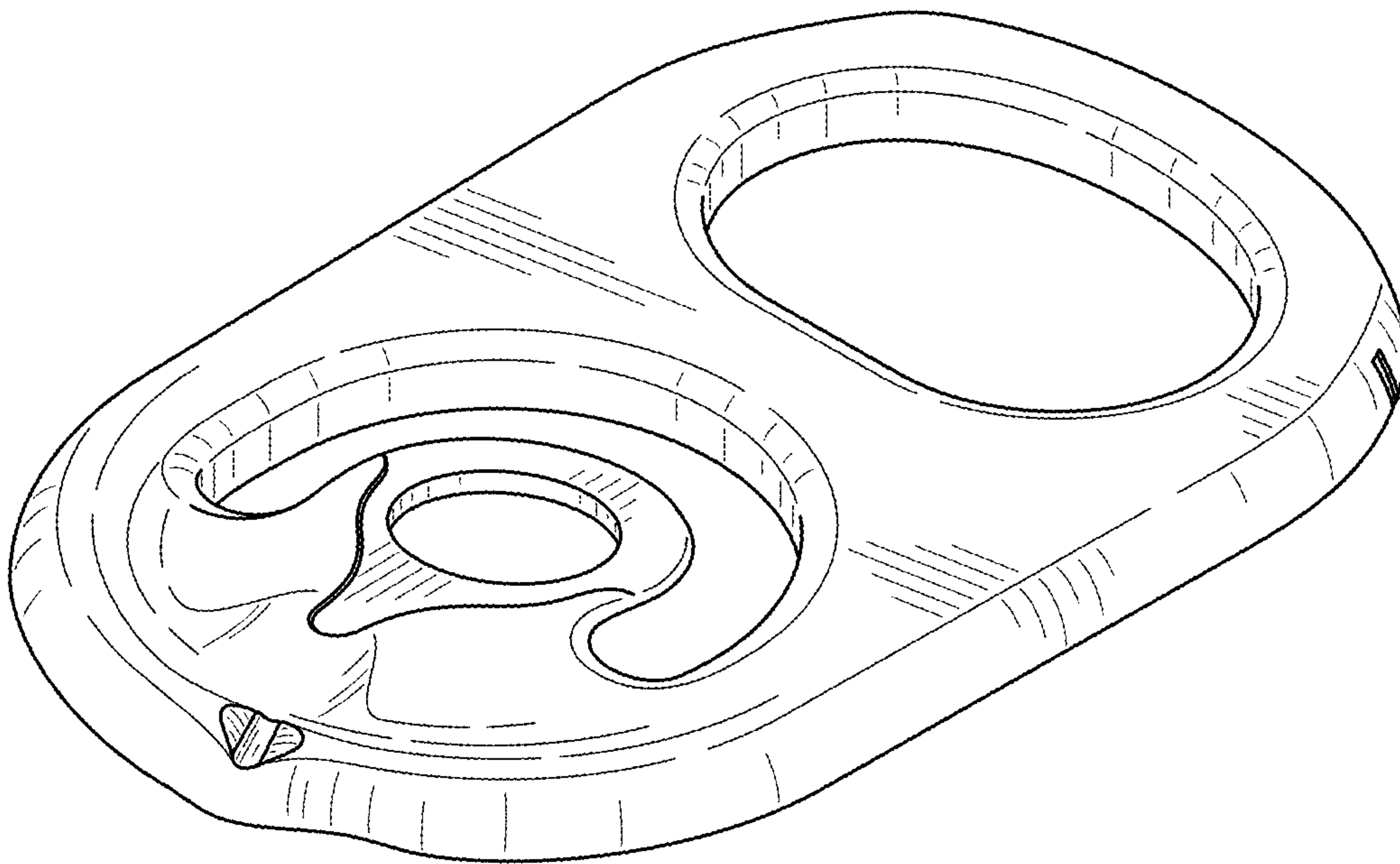


FIG. 1

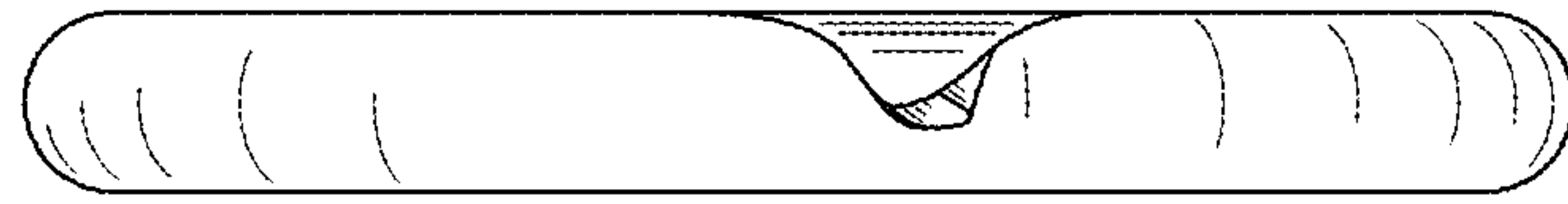


FIG. 2

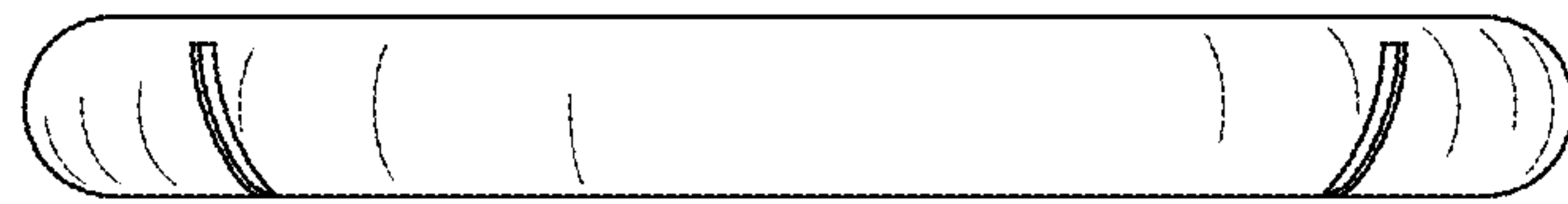


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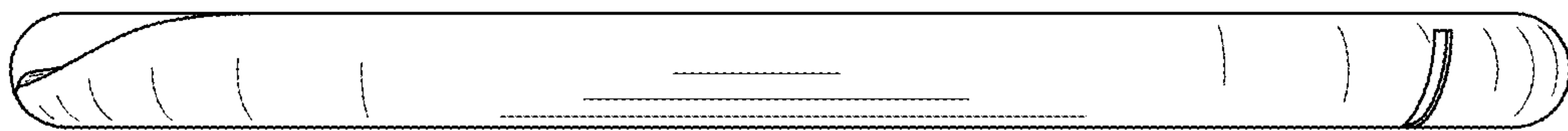


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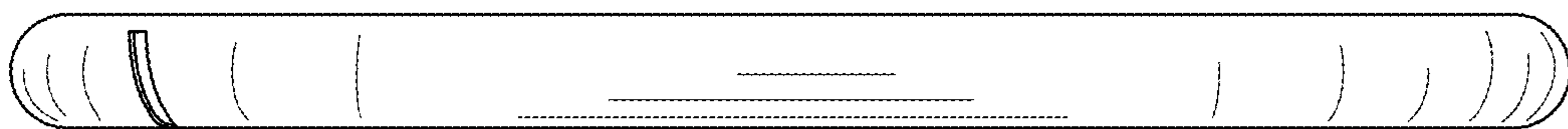


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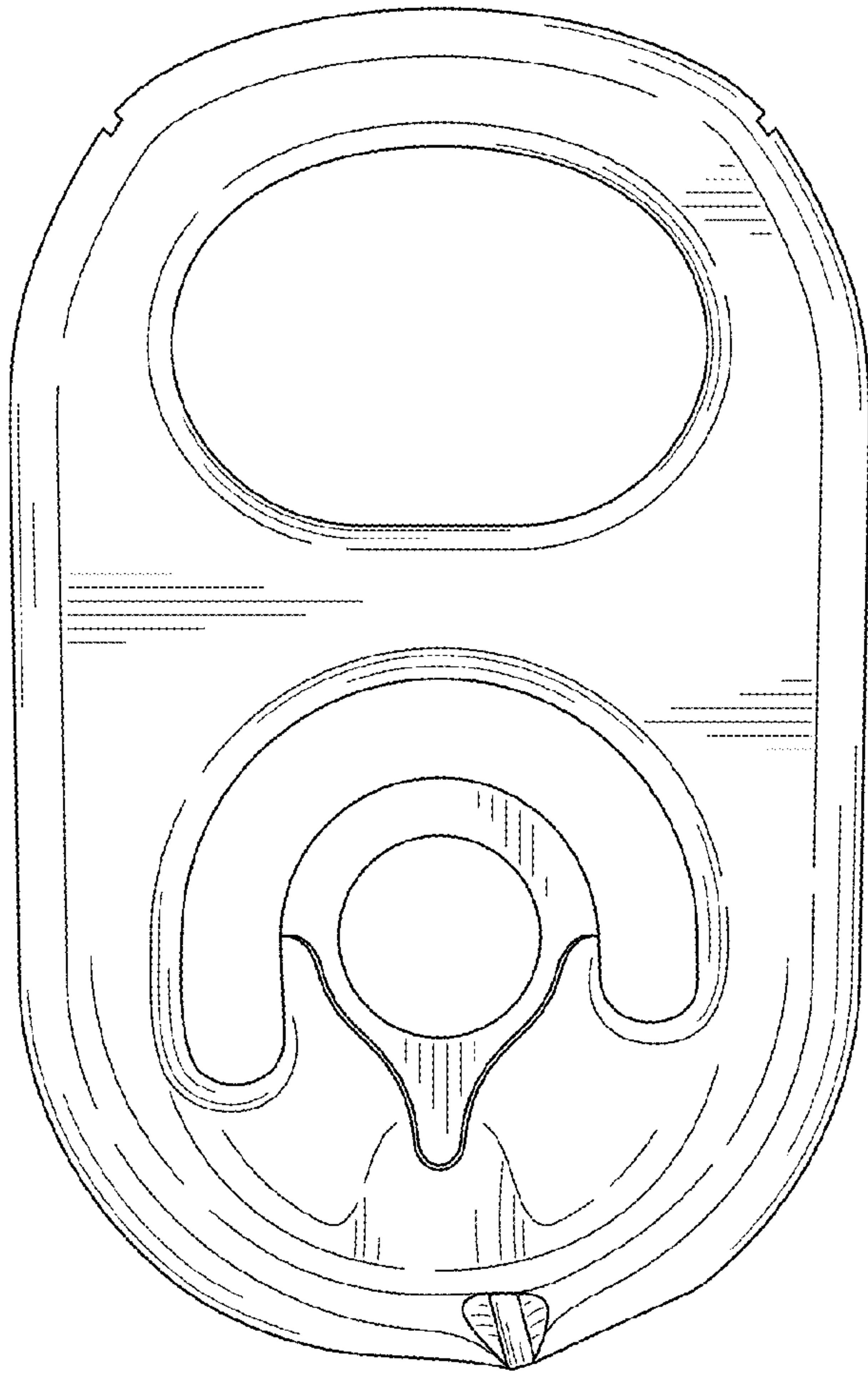


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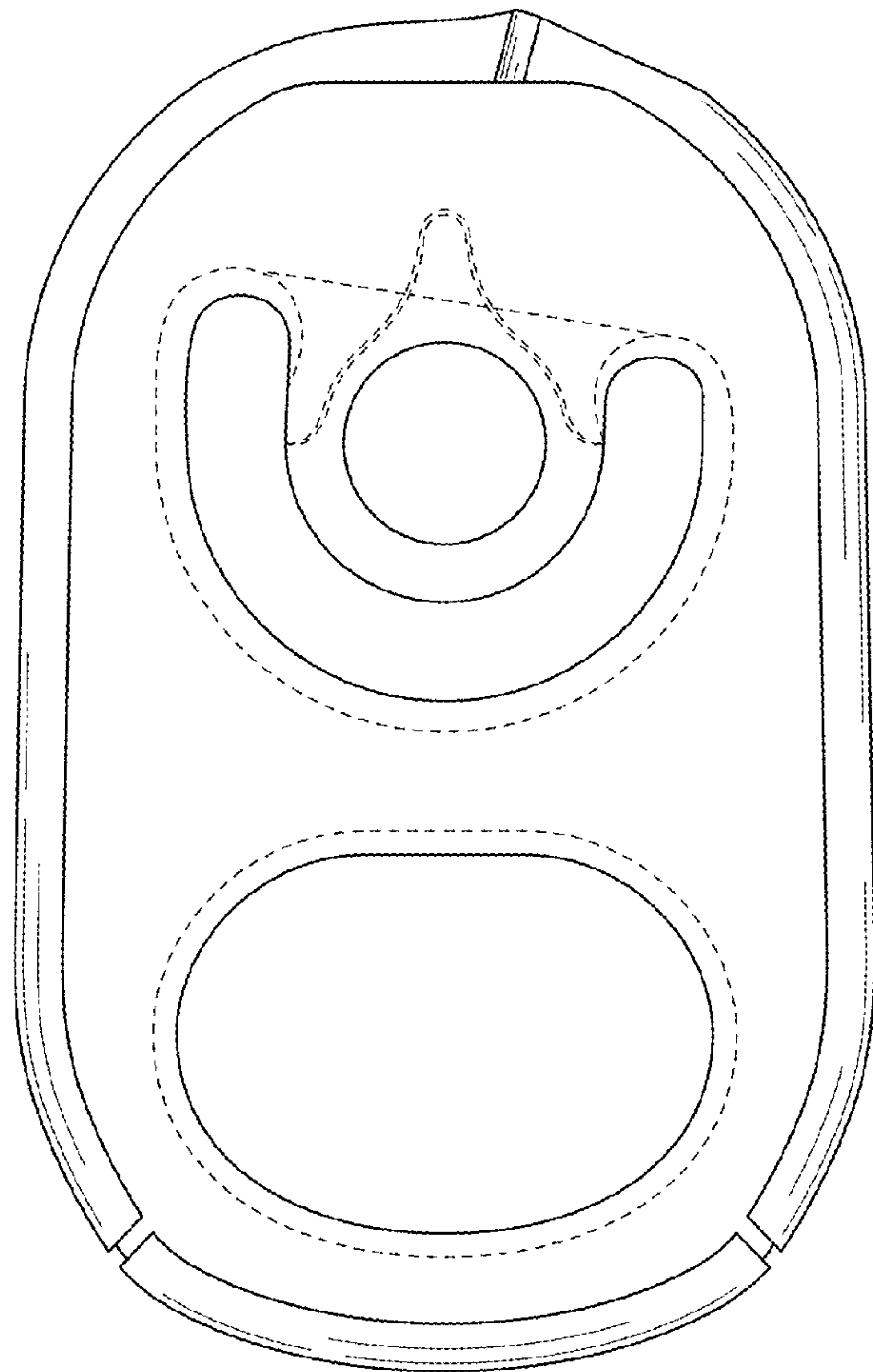


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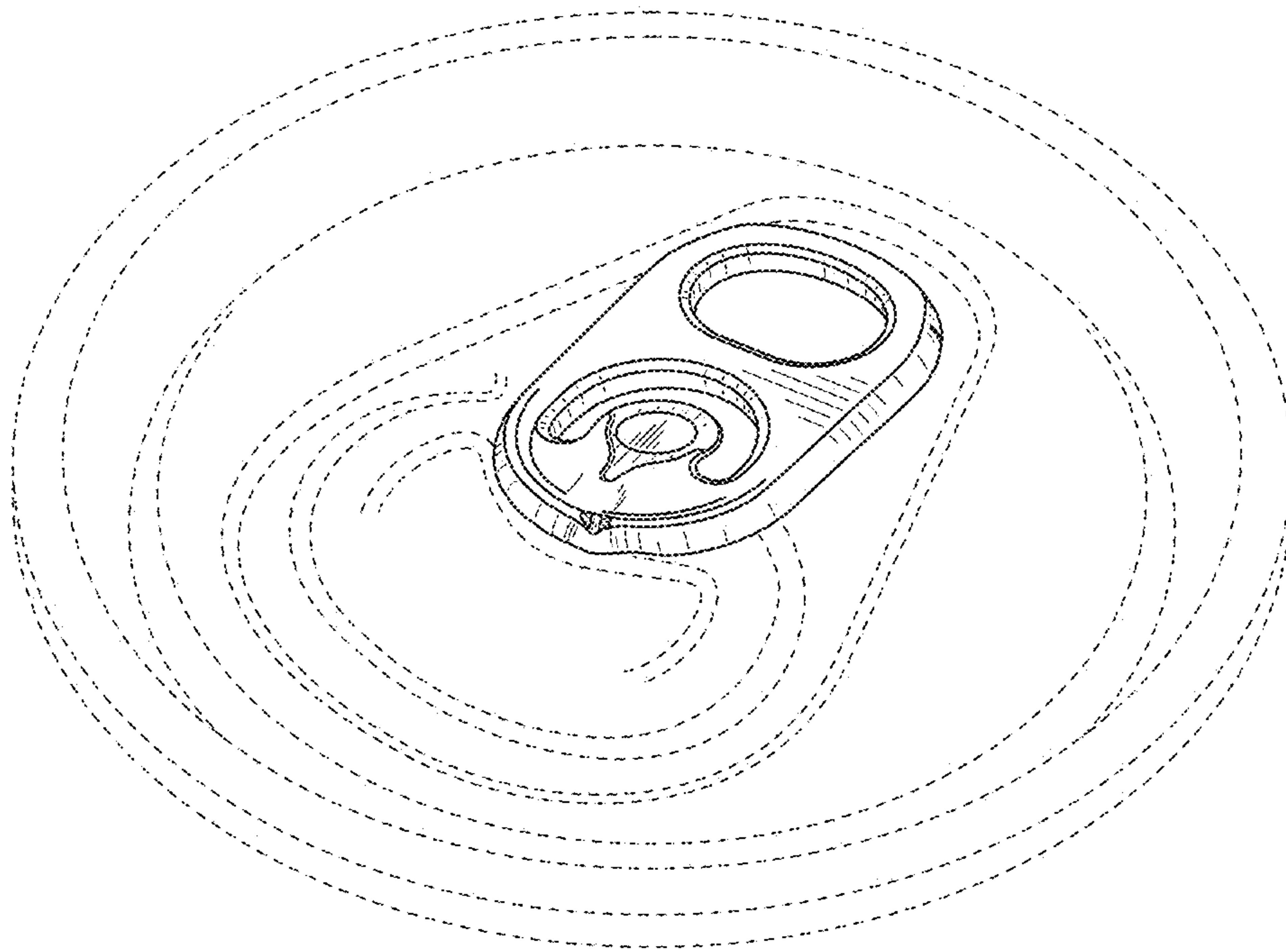


FIG. 8