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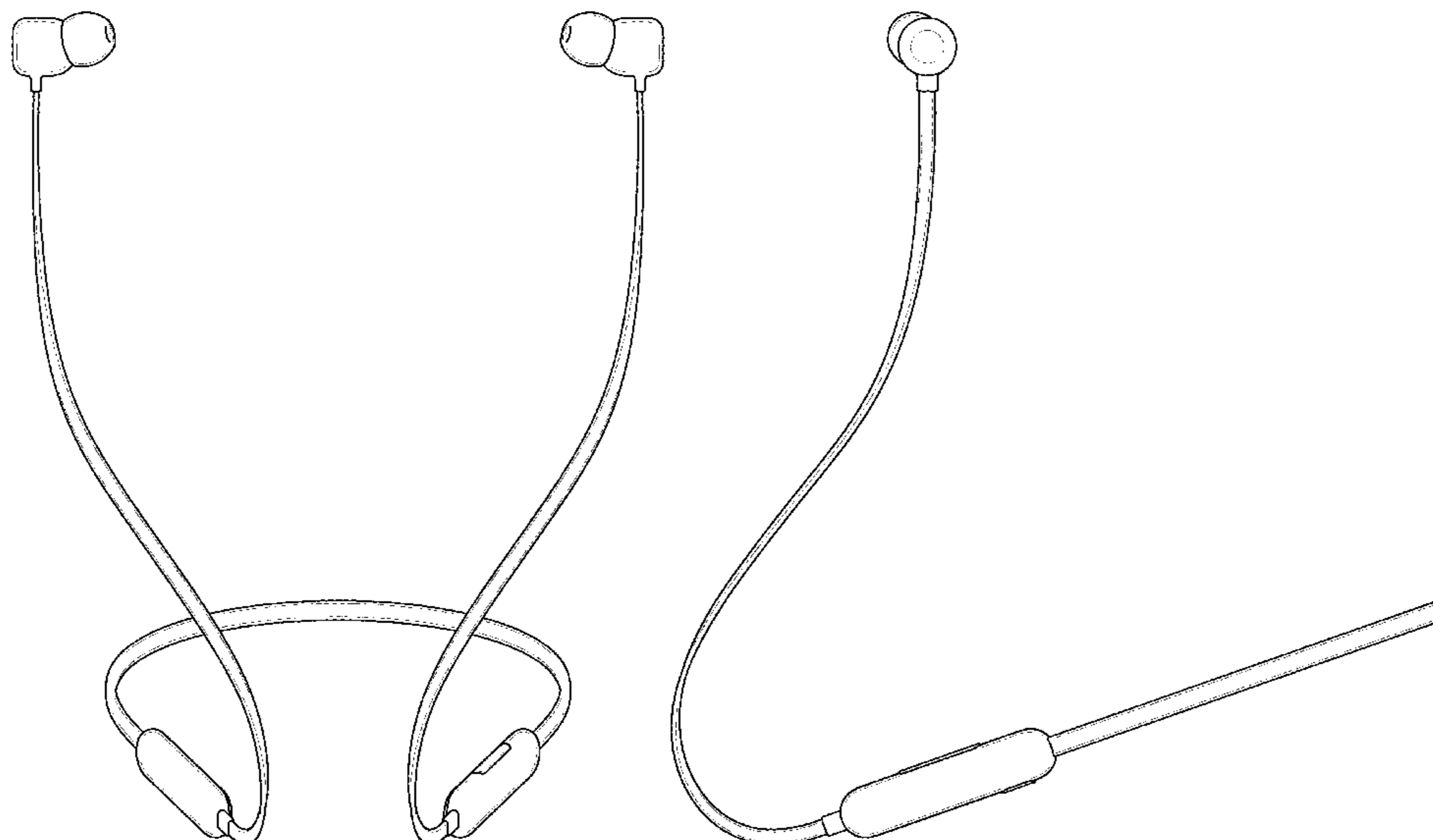
(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for earphones, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a front view of earphones showing the claimed design;
FIG. 2 is a rear view thereof;
FIG. 3 is a top view thereof;
FIG. 4 is a bottom view thereof;
FIG. 5 is a right side view thereof; and,
FIG. 6 is a left side view thereof.

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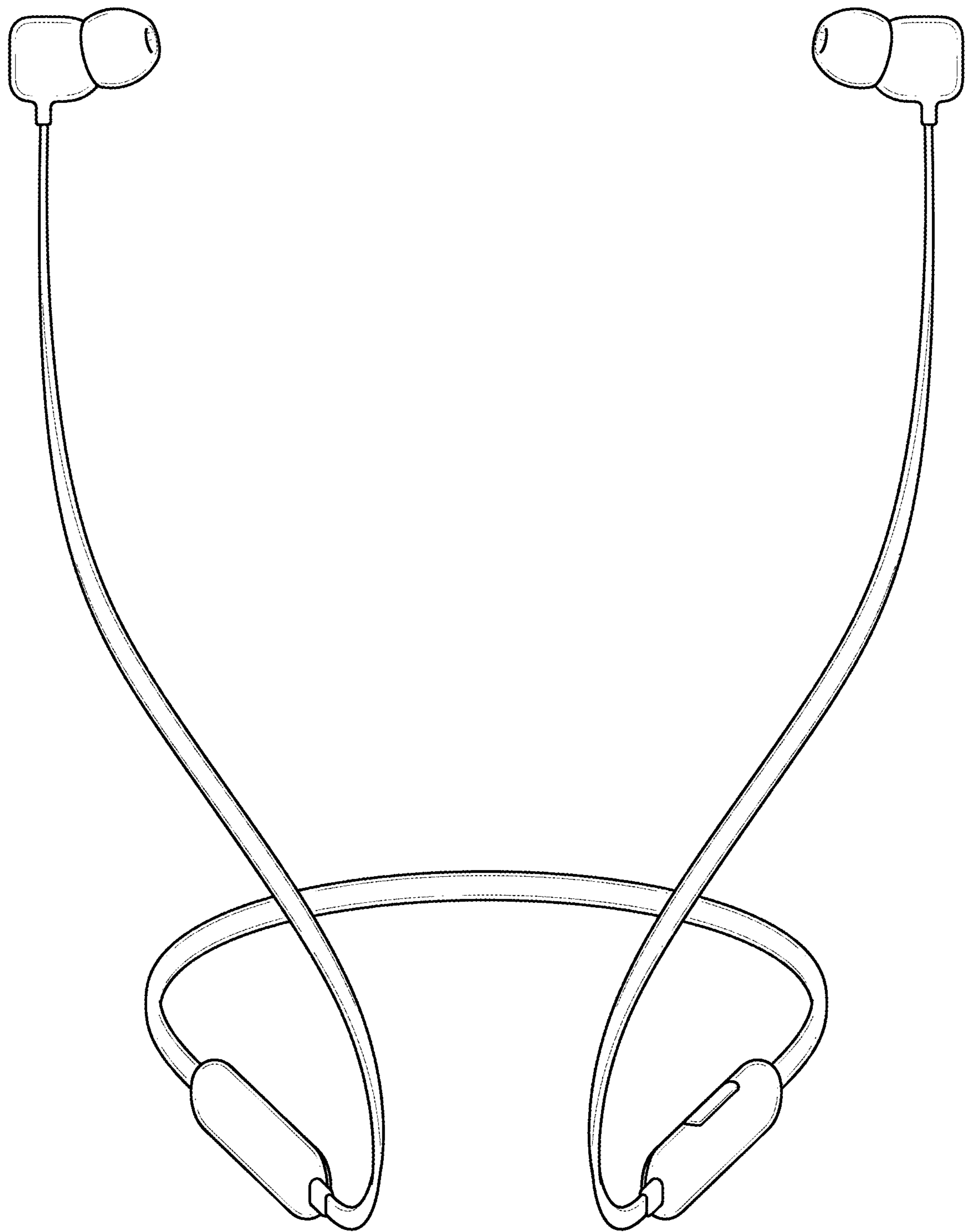


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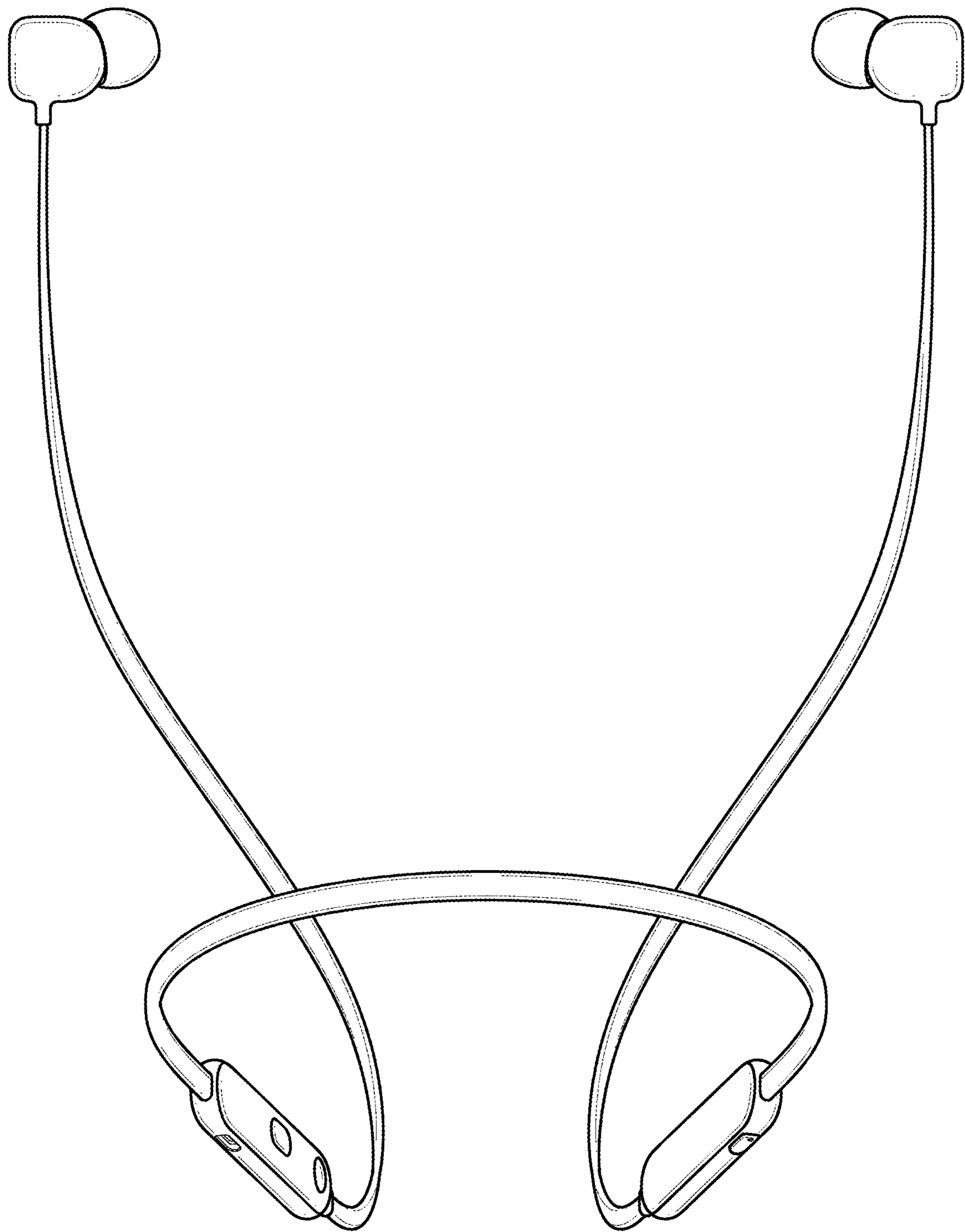


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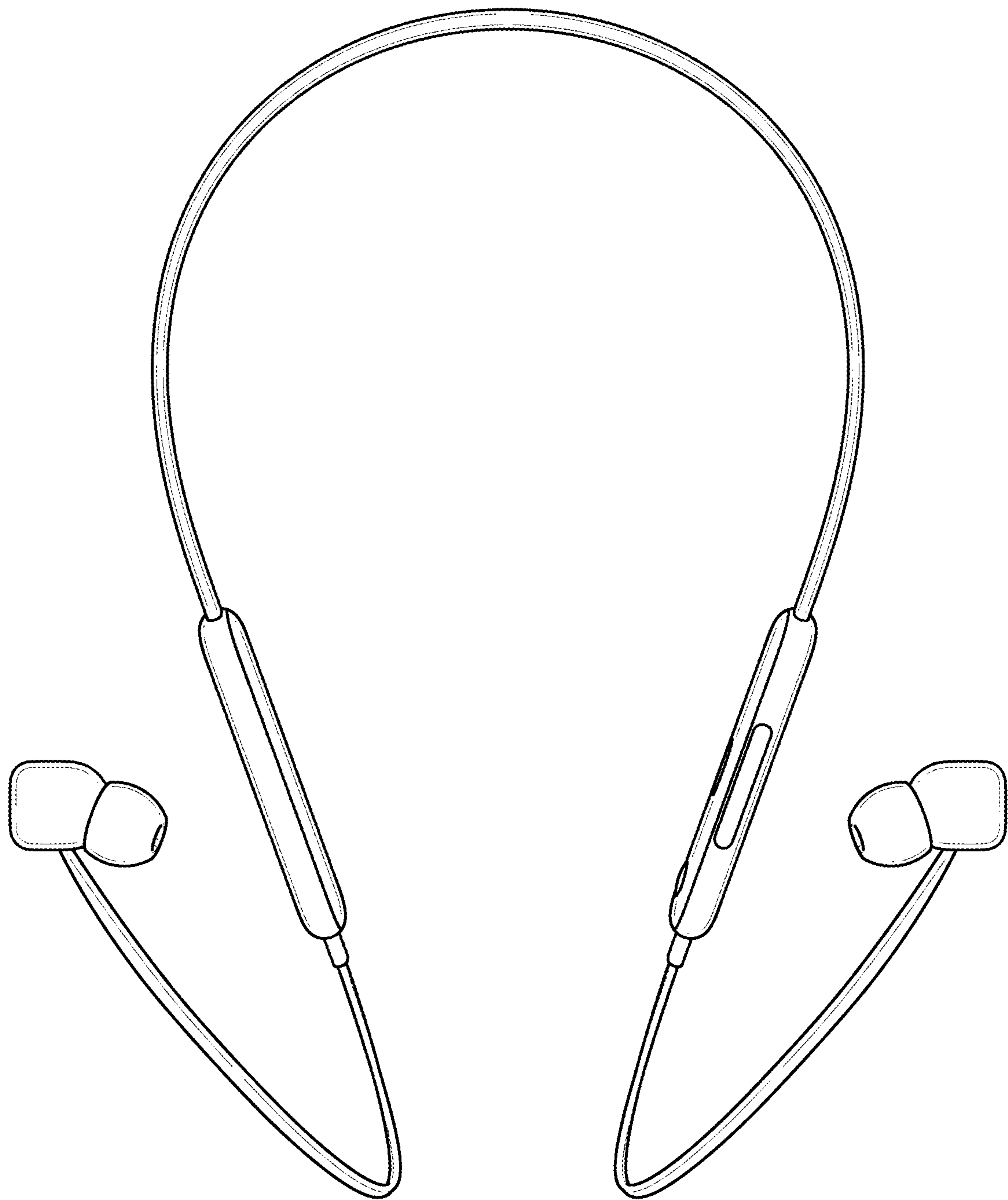


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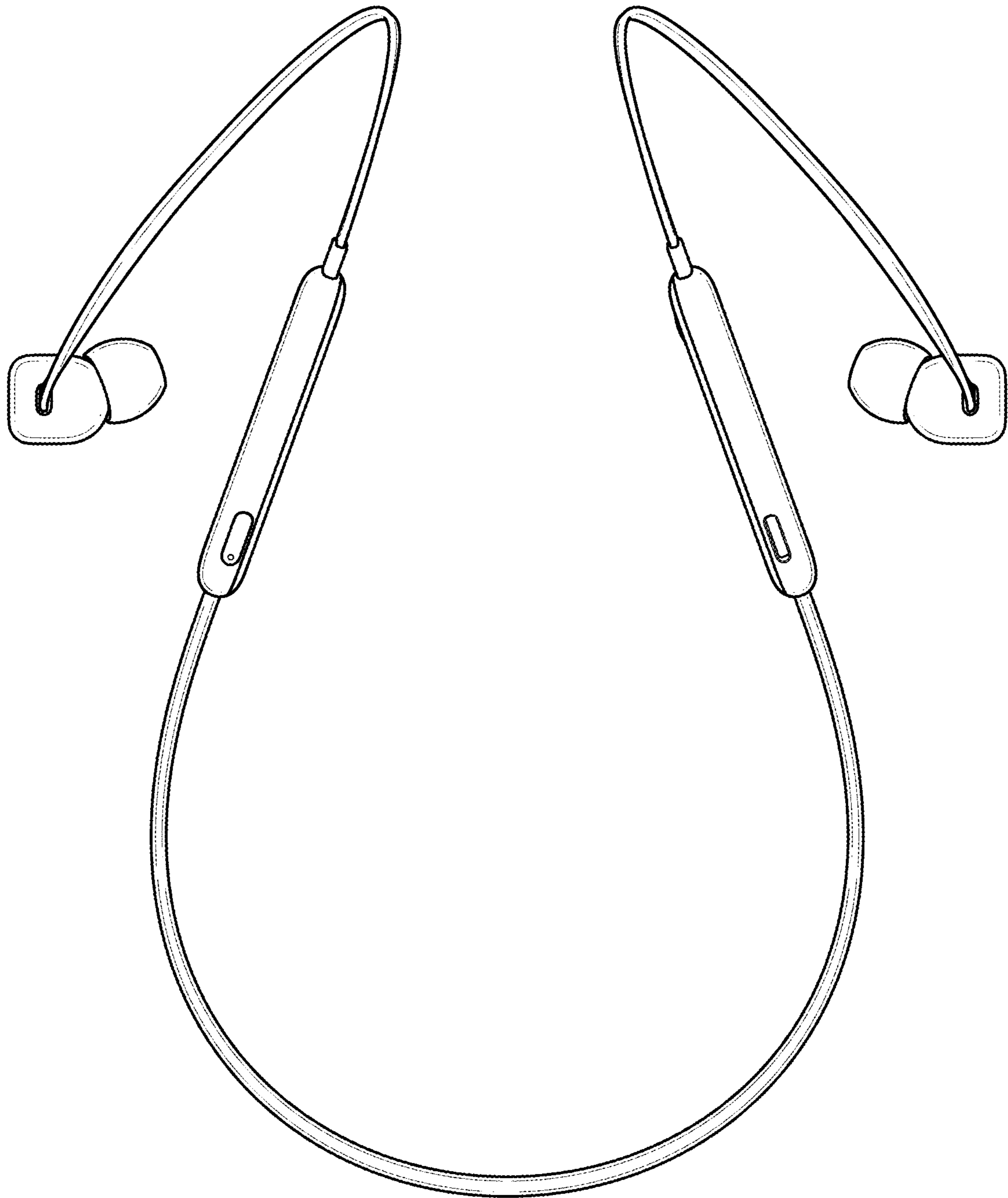


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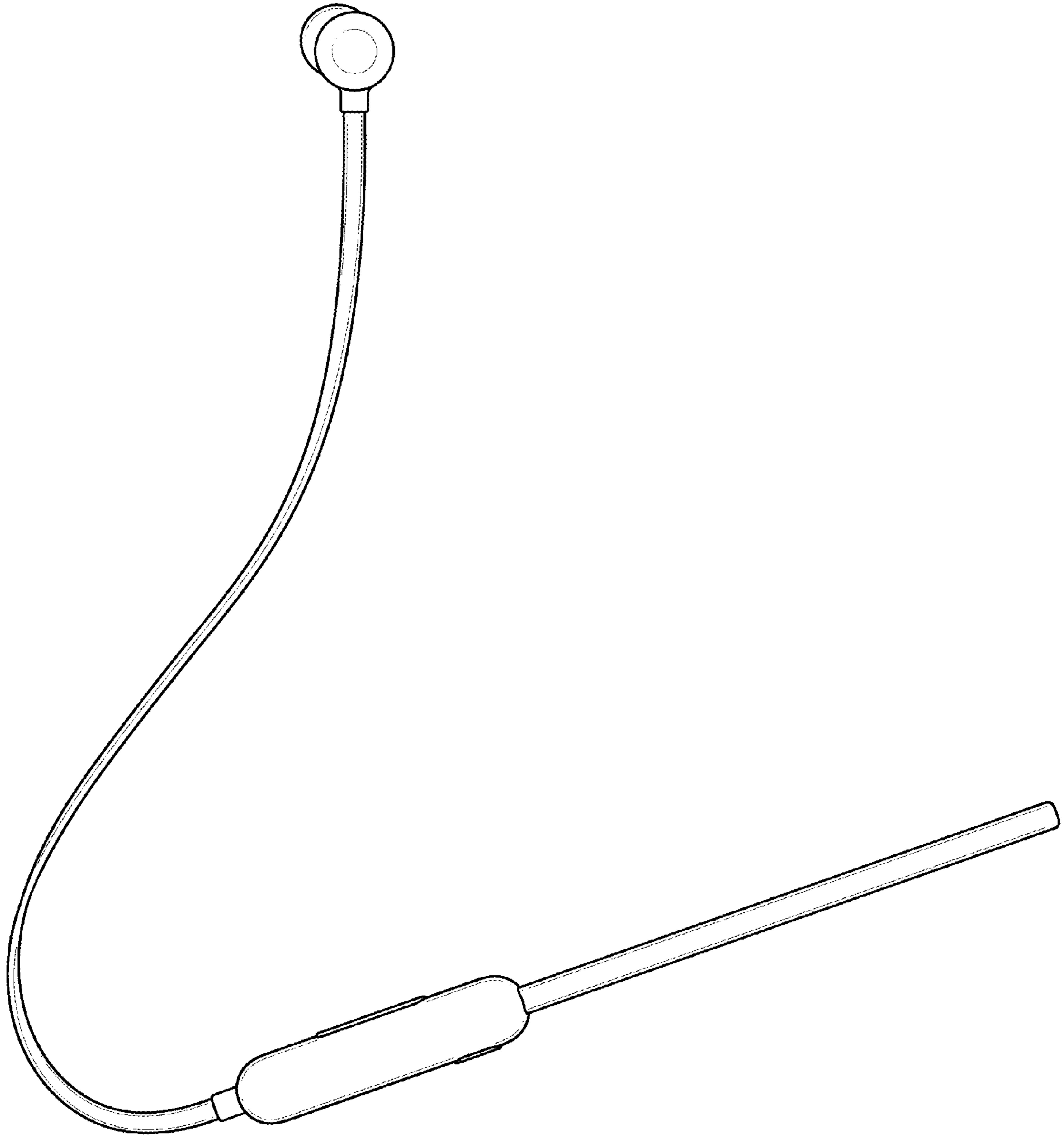


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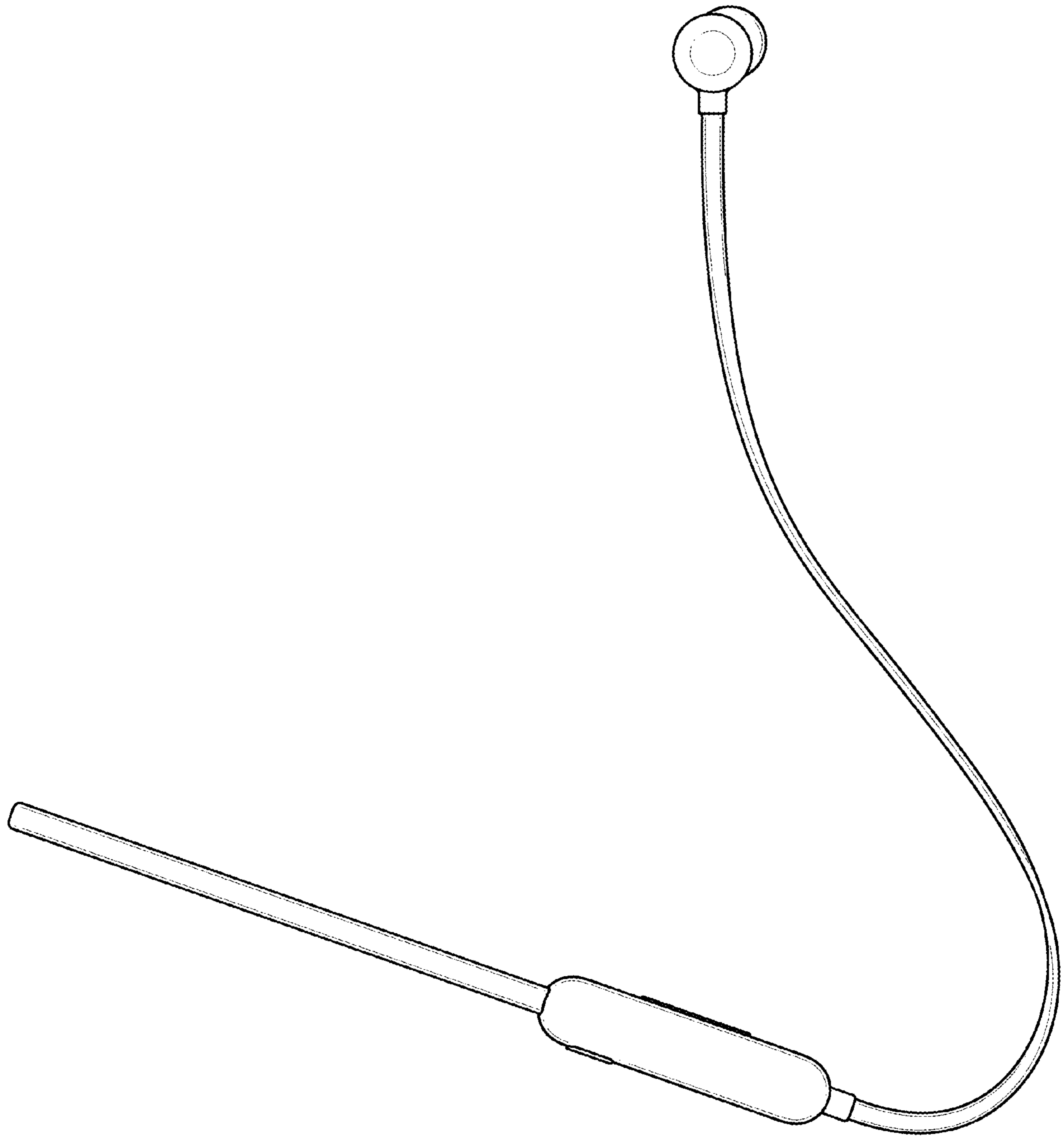


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