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(54) **JOINT FOR ABOVE GROUND POOL FRAME**

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The ornamental design for a joint for above ground pool frame, as shown and described.

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**DESCRIPTION**

FIG. 1 is a front perspective view of a joint for above ground pool frame showing our new design; FIG. 2 is a front elevational view thereof; FIG. 3 is a rear 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 long-short broken lines within the openings depict boundaries that form no part of the claimed design. The evenly-sized broken lines depict portions of the joint for above ground pool frame that form no part of the claimed design.

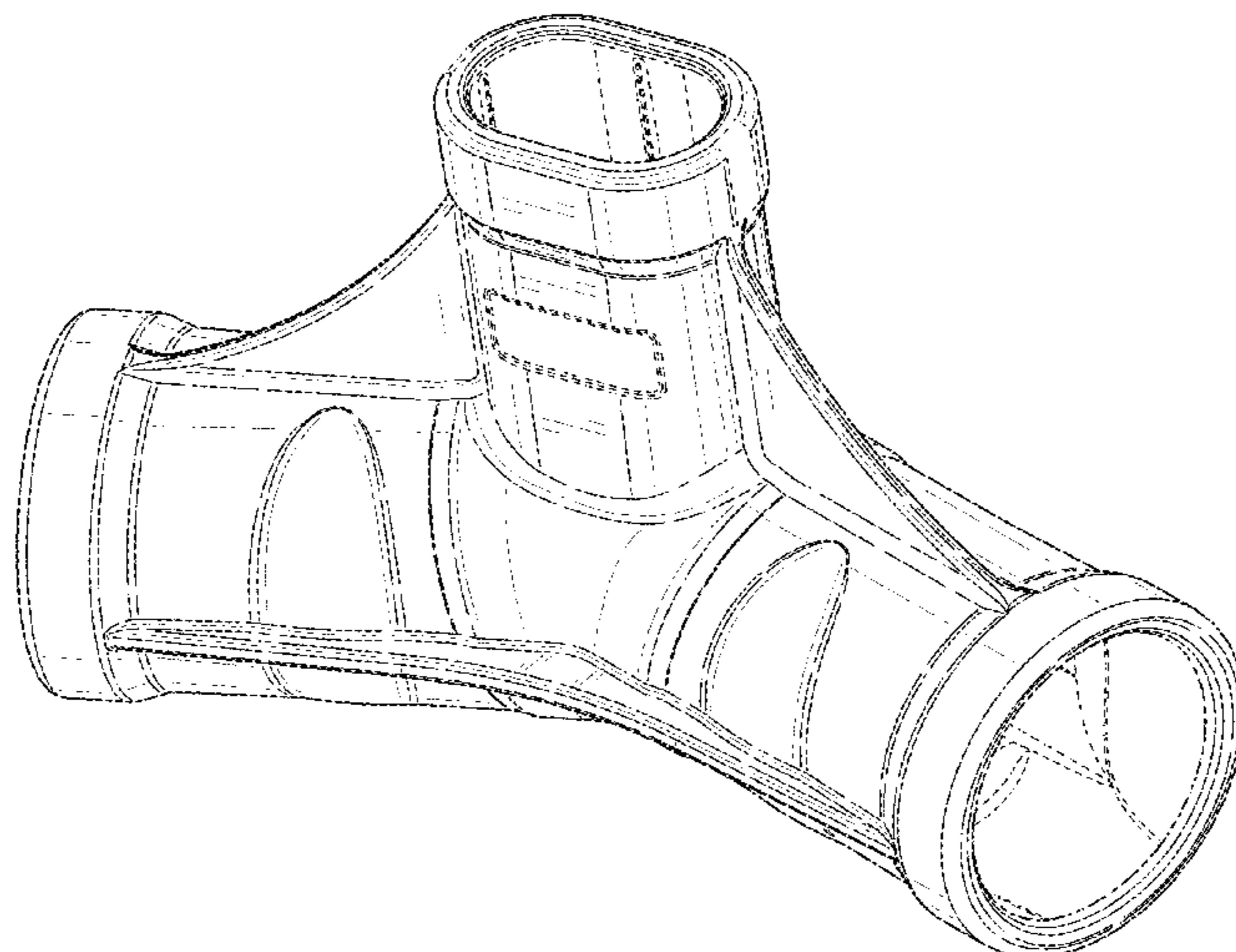
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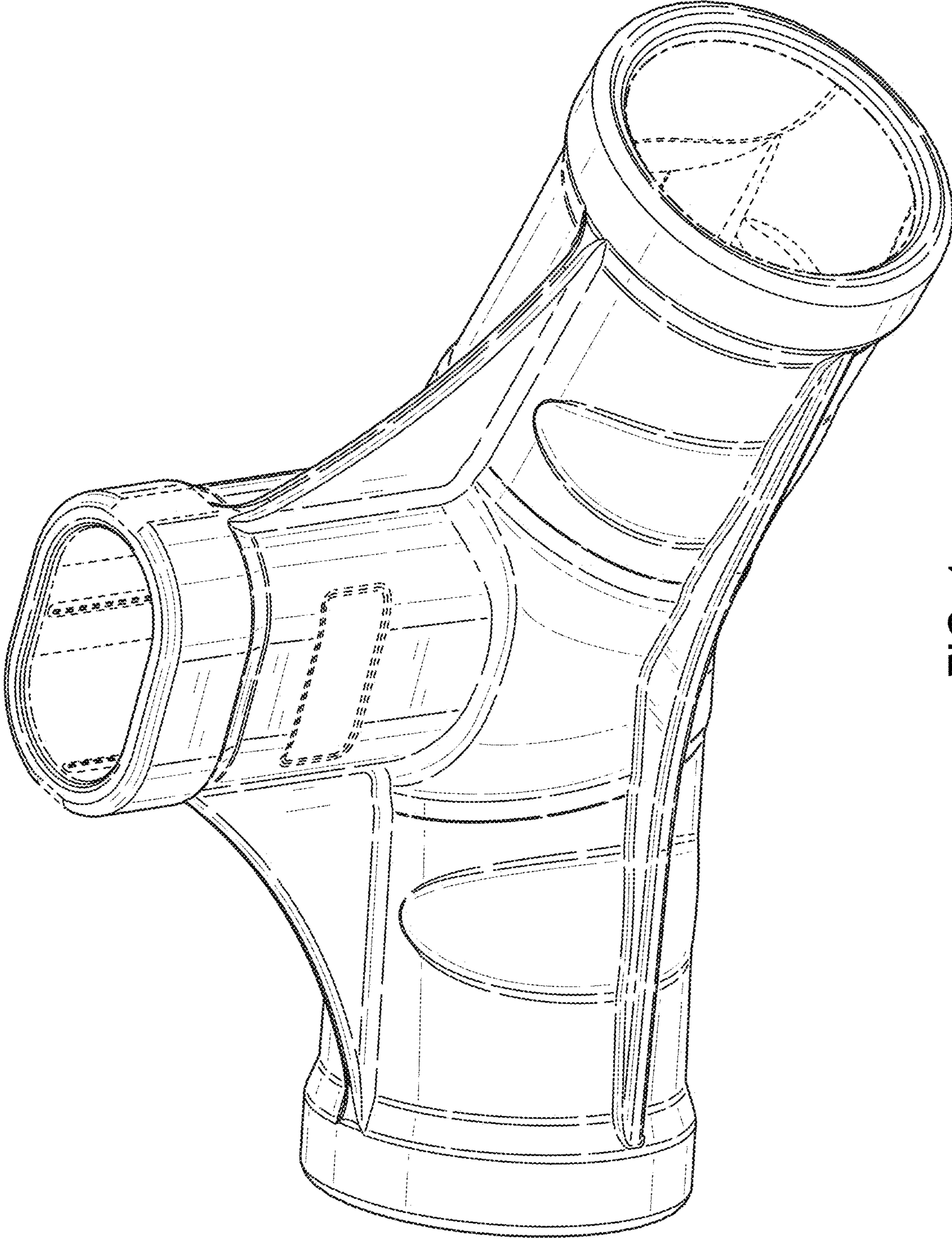


FIG. 1

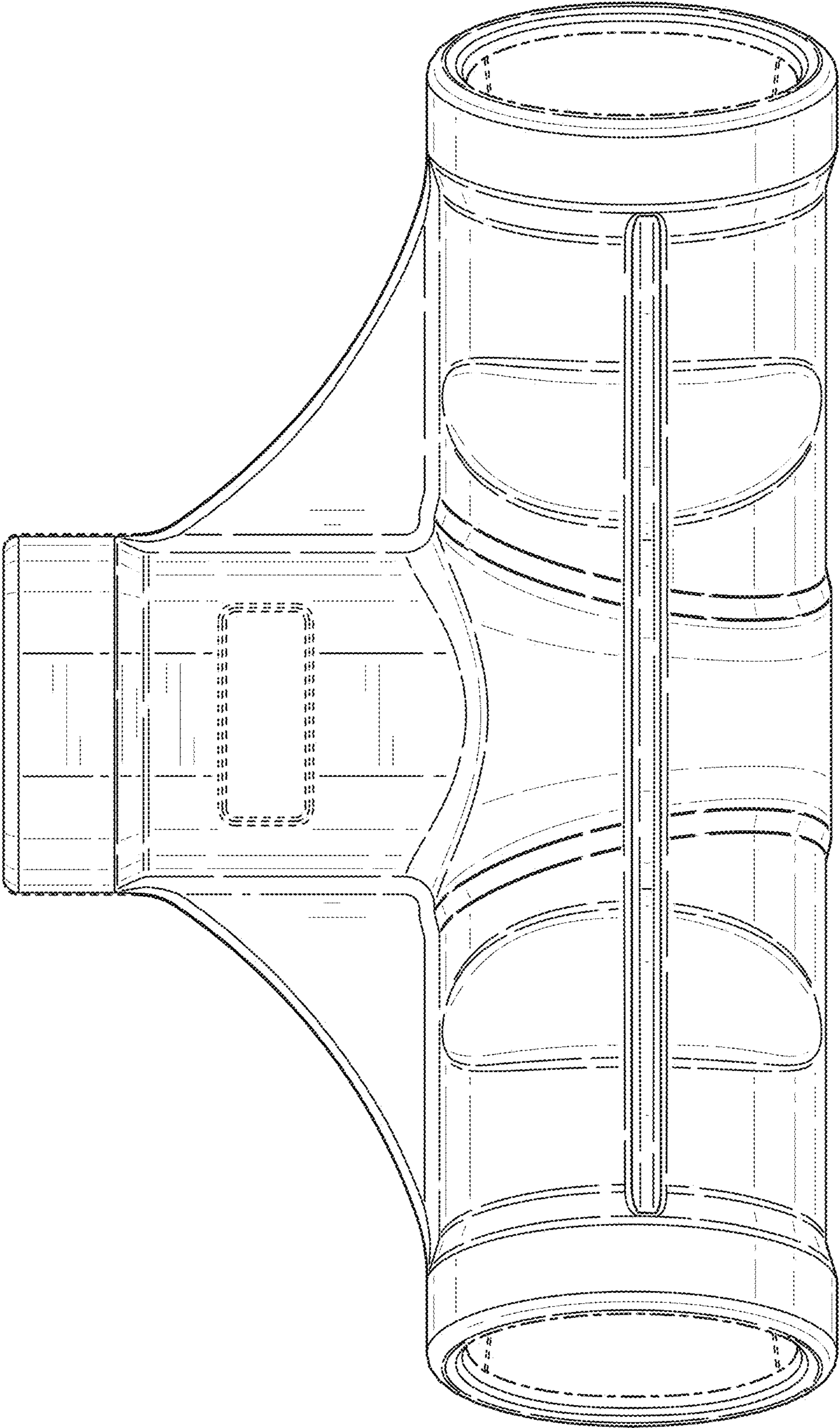


FIG. 2

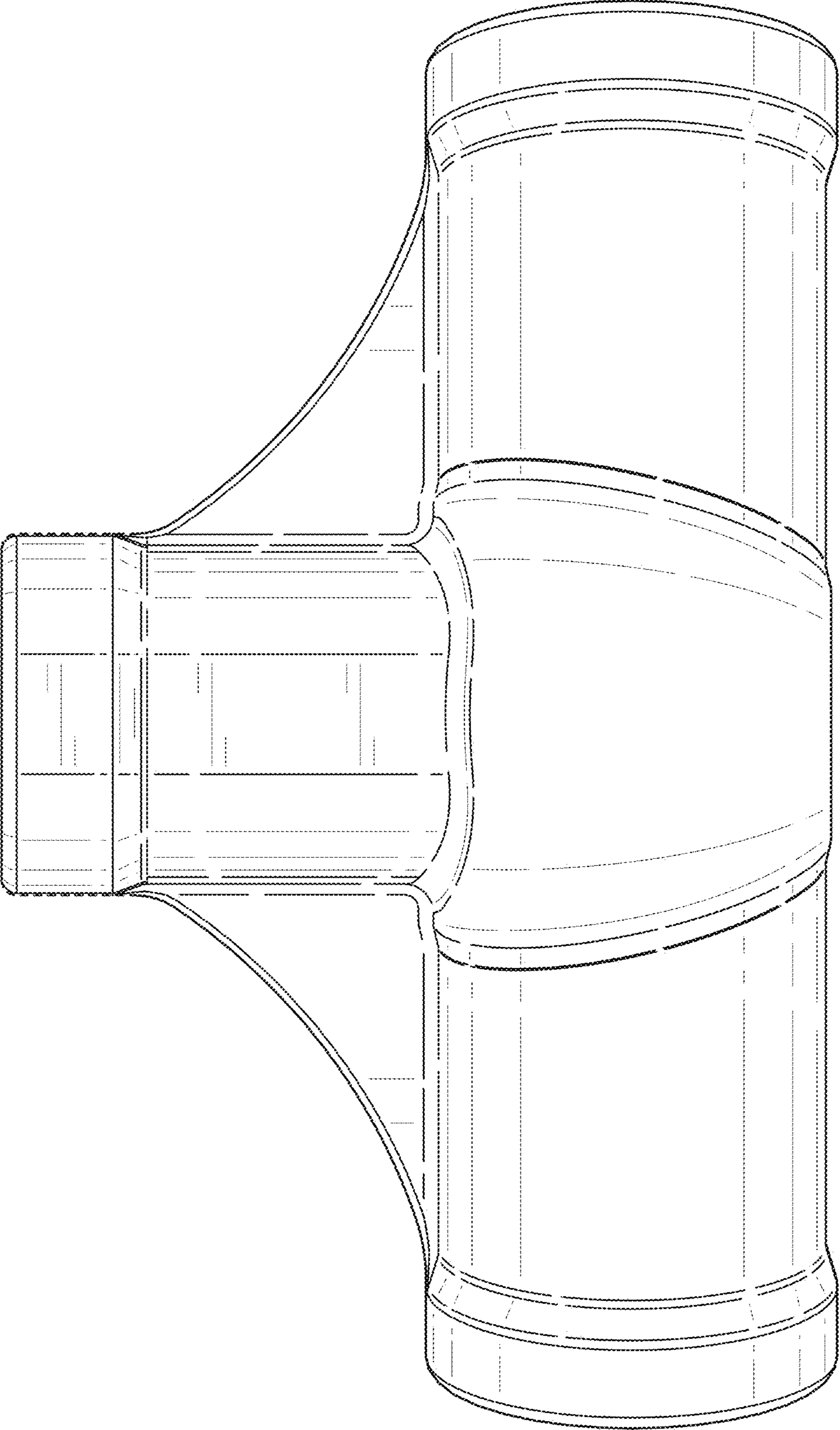


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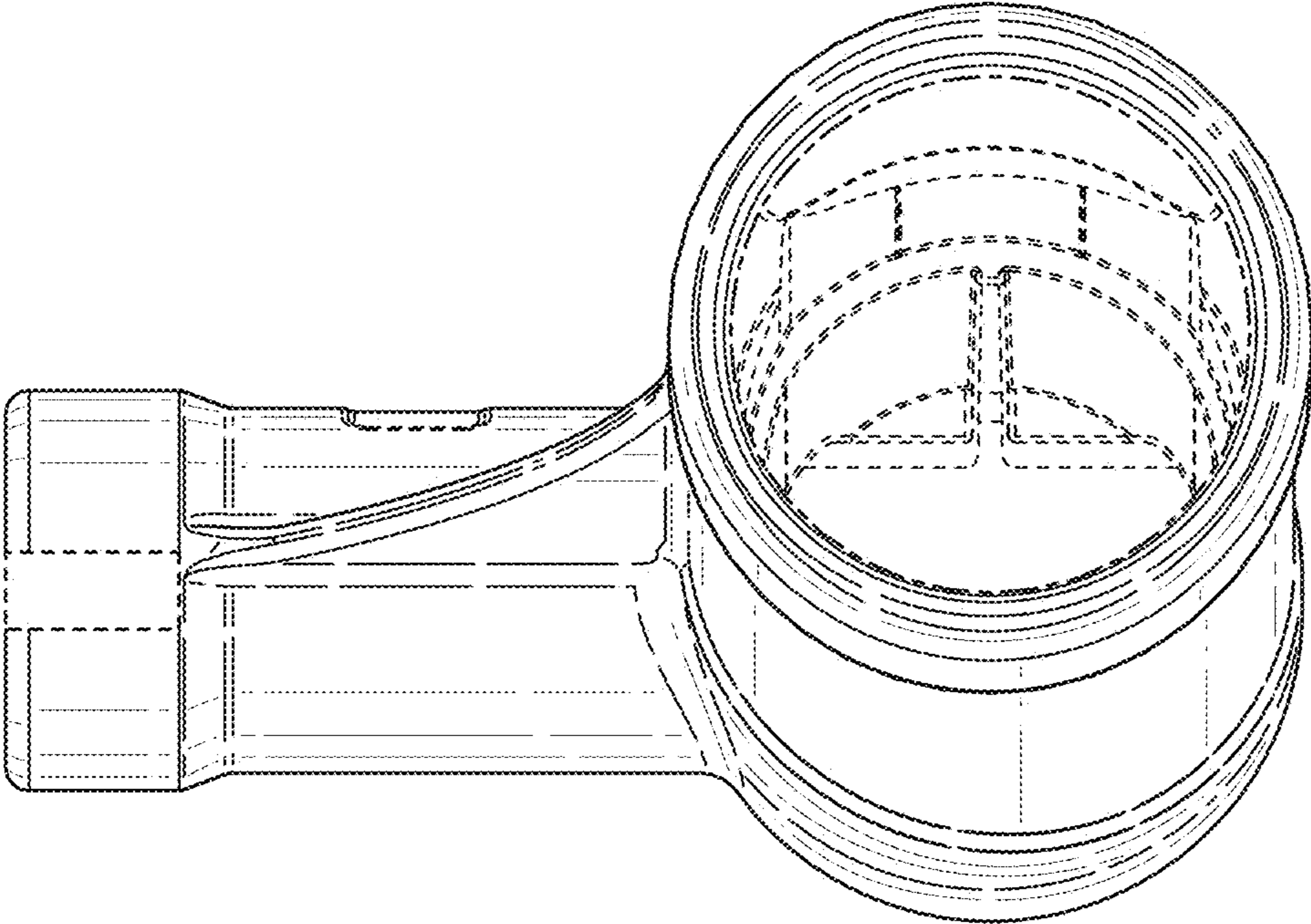


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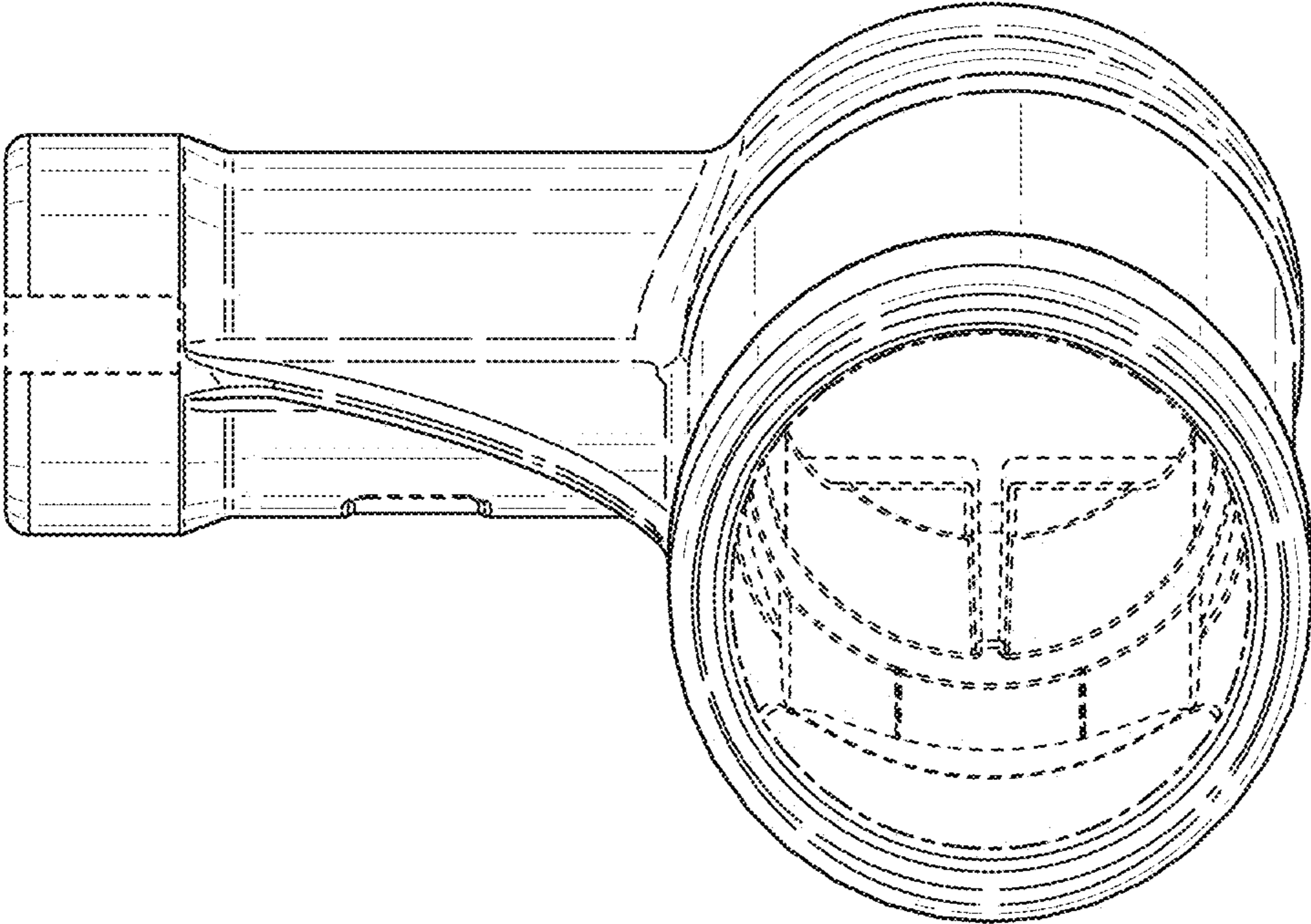


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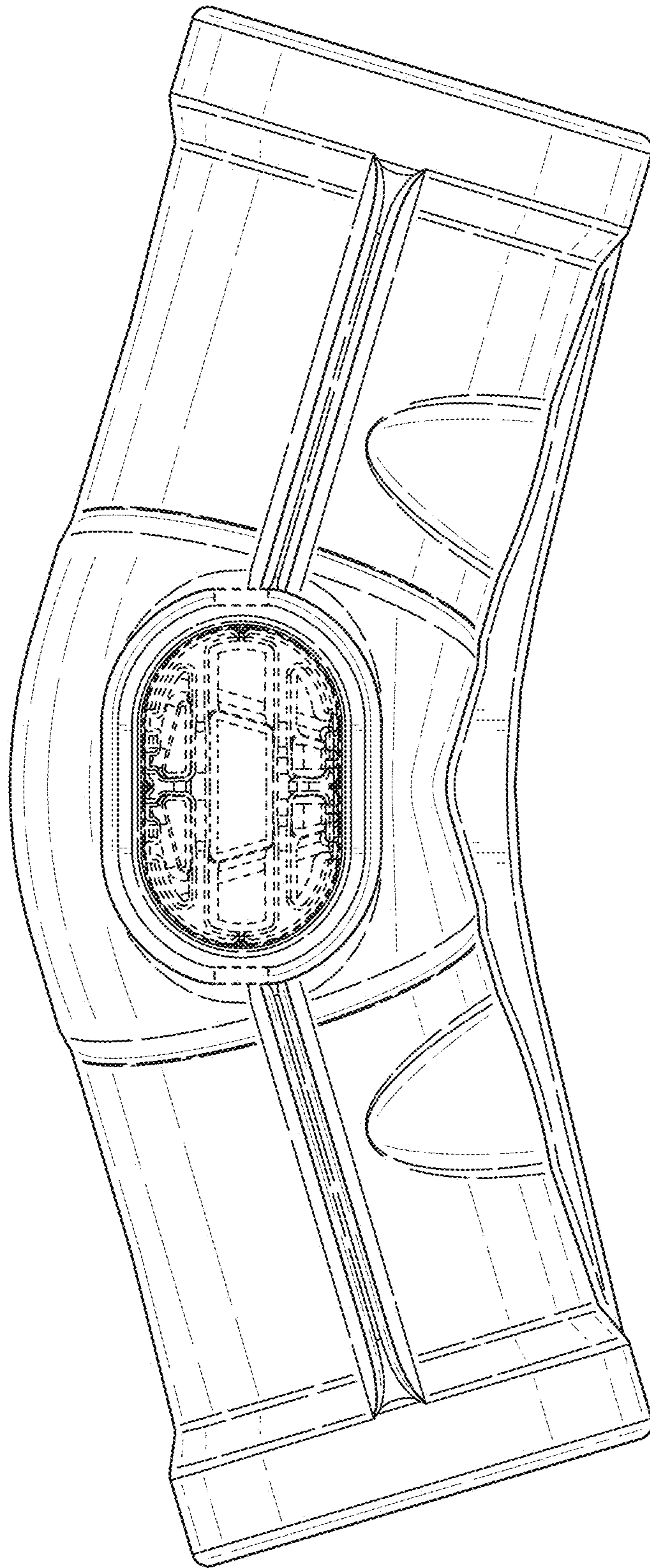


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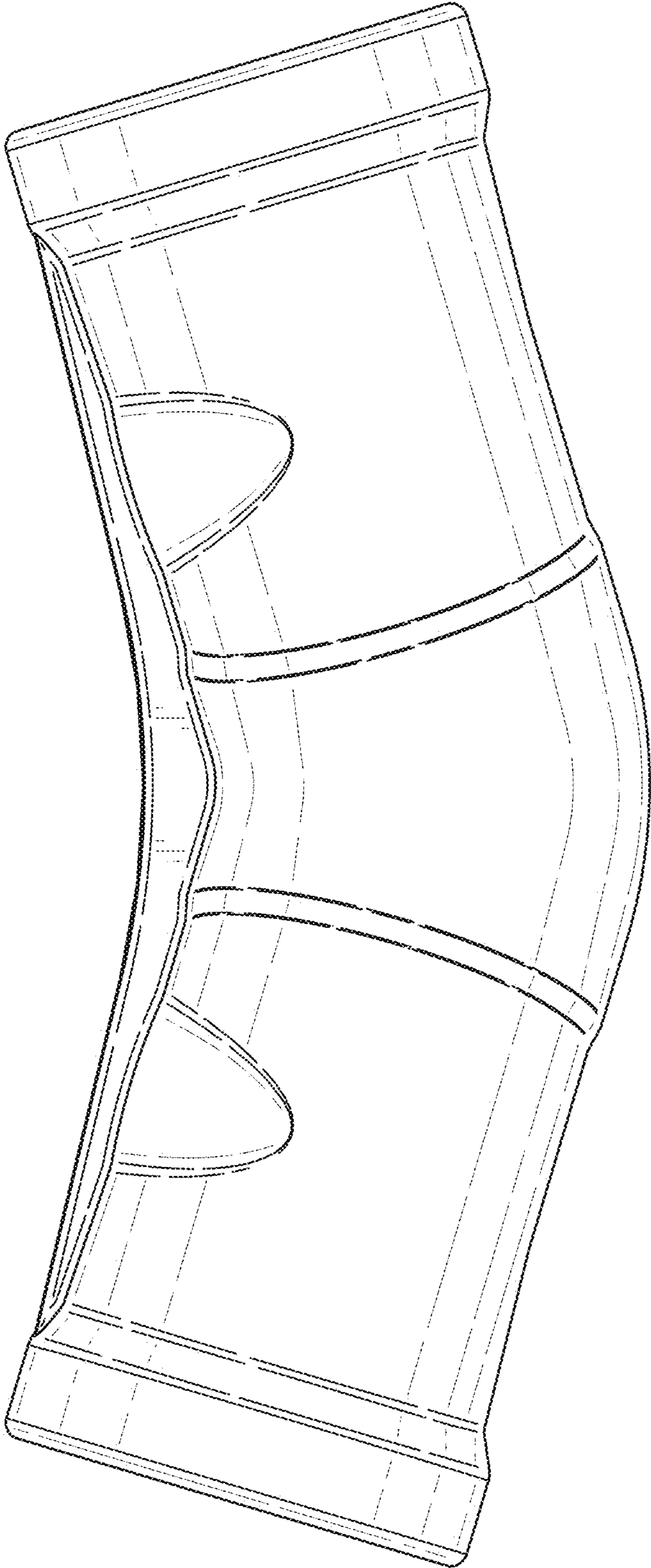


FIG. 7