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(54) **ICE BIN AND COVER ASSEMBLY FOR A REFRIGERATOR**

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(57) **CLAIM**

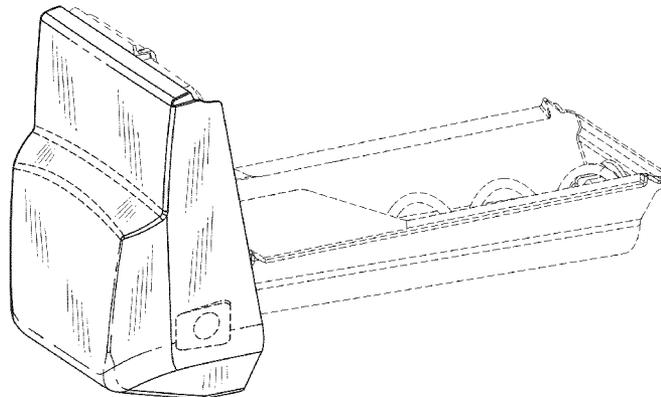
We claim the ornamental design for an ice bin and cover assembly for a refrigerator, substantially as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of an ice bin and cover assembly for a refrigerator of the present invention; FIG. 2 is a front elevational view thereof; FIG. 3 is a right side elevational view thereof; FIG. 4 is a left side elevational view thereof; FIG. 5 is a top plan view thereof; FIG. 6 is a bottom plan view thereof; and, FIG. 7 is a rear elevational view thereof.

The broken line portions of the drawings are for illustrative purposes only and form no part of the claimed design.

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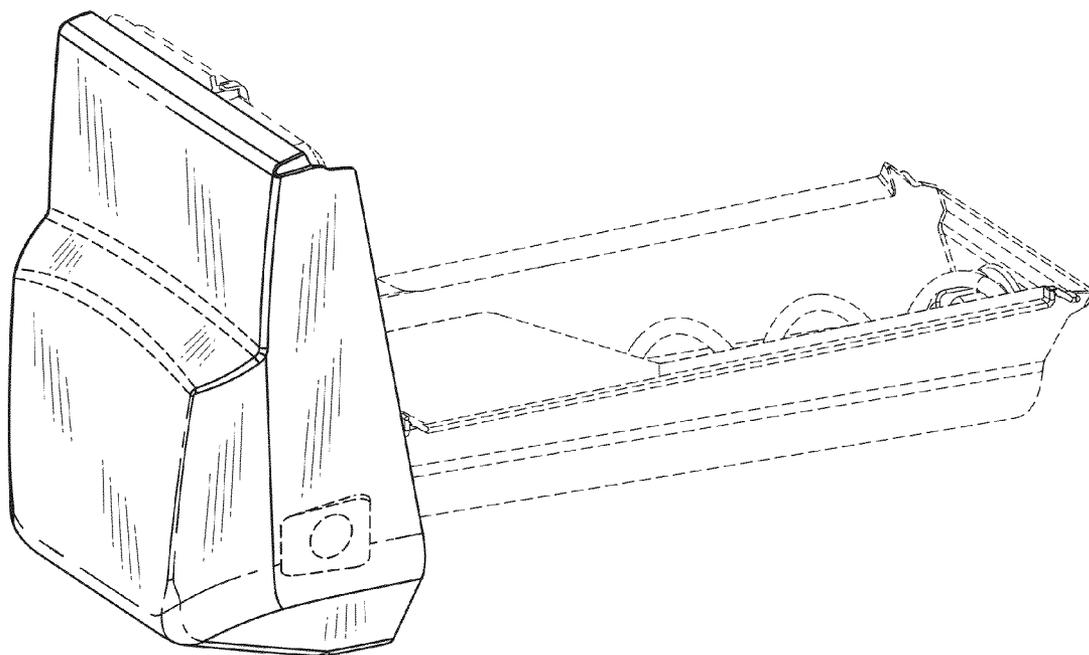


FIG. 1

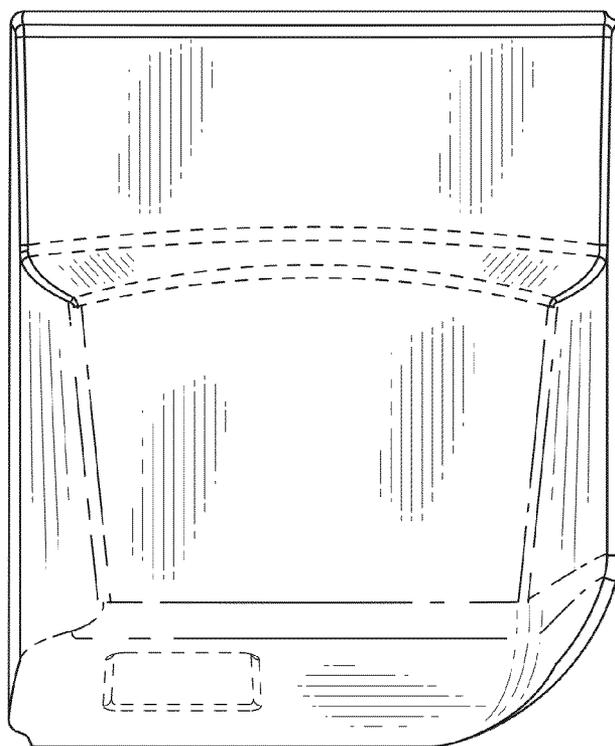


FIG. 2

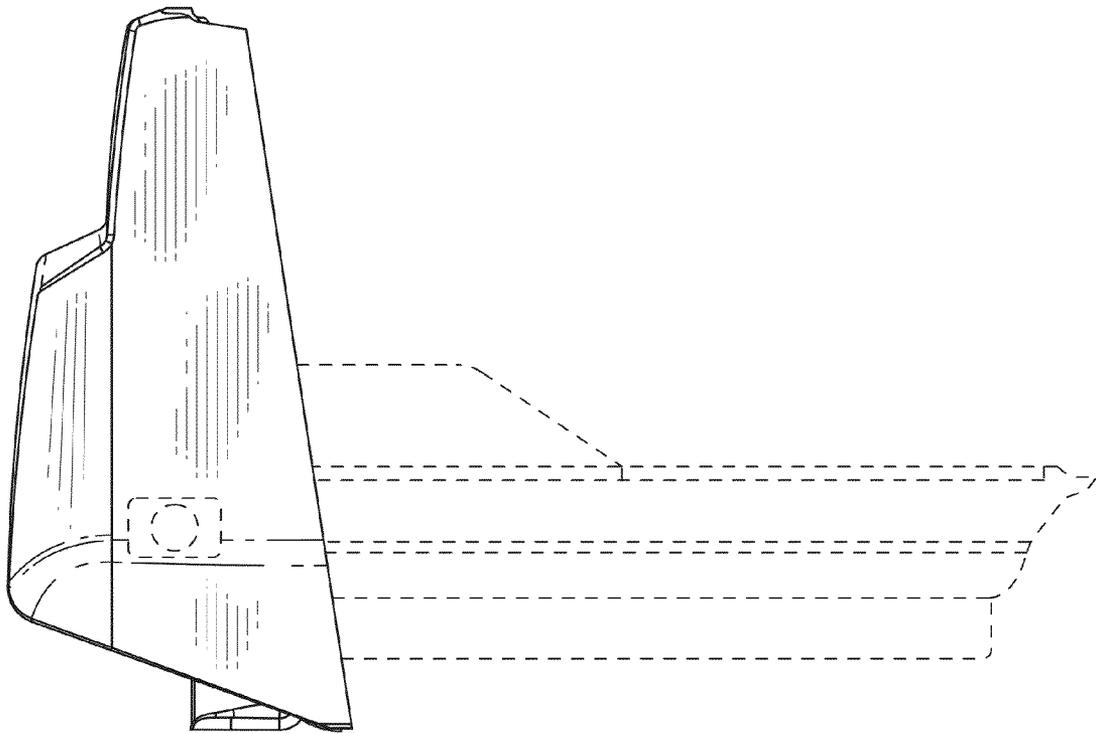


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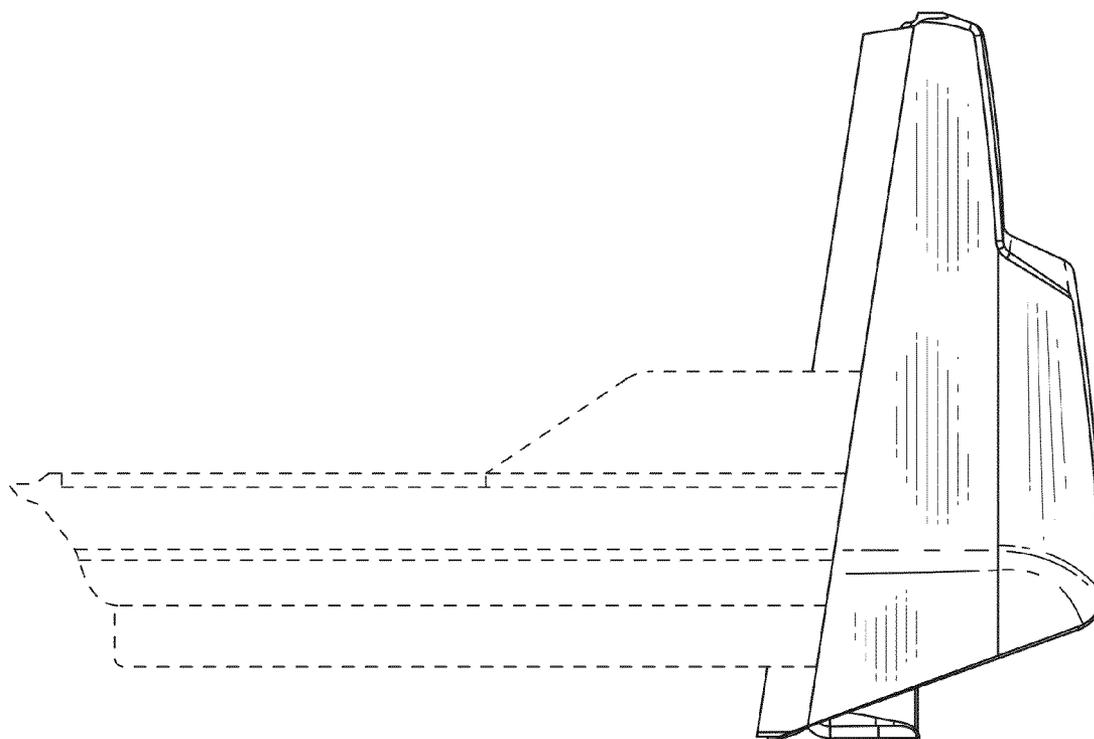


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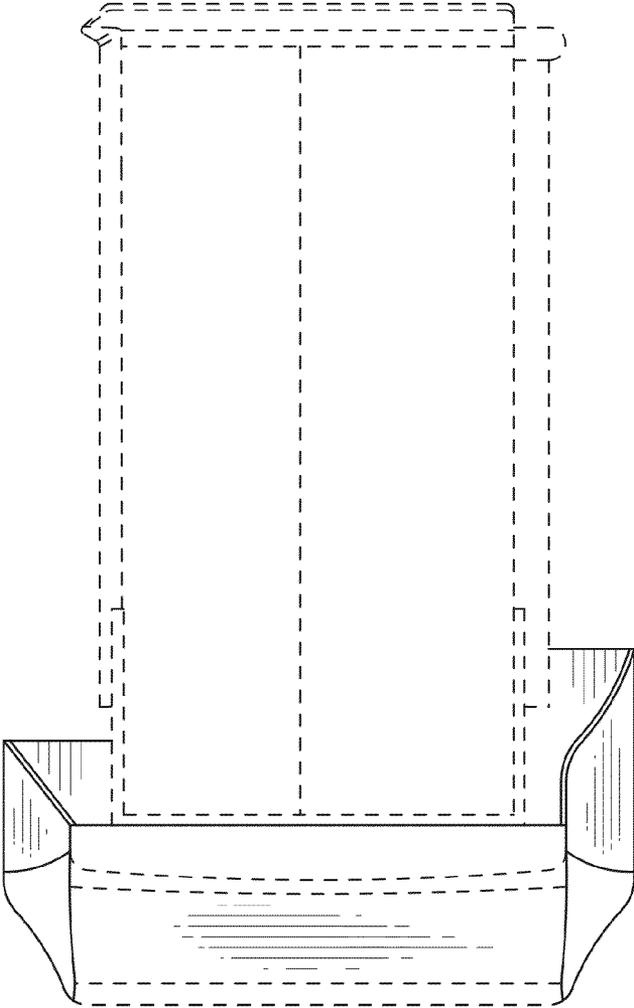


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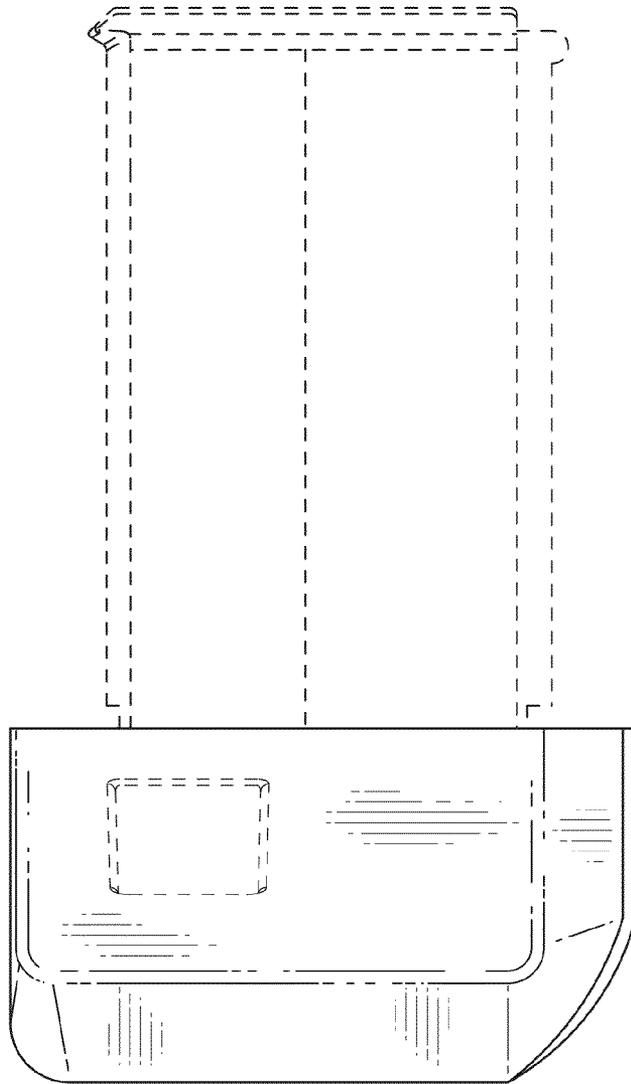


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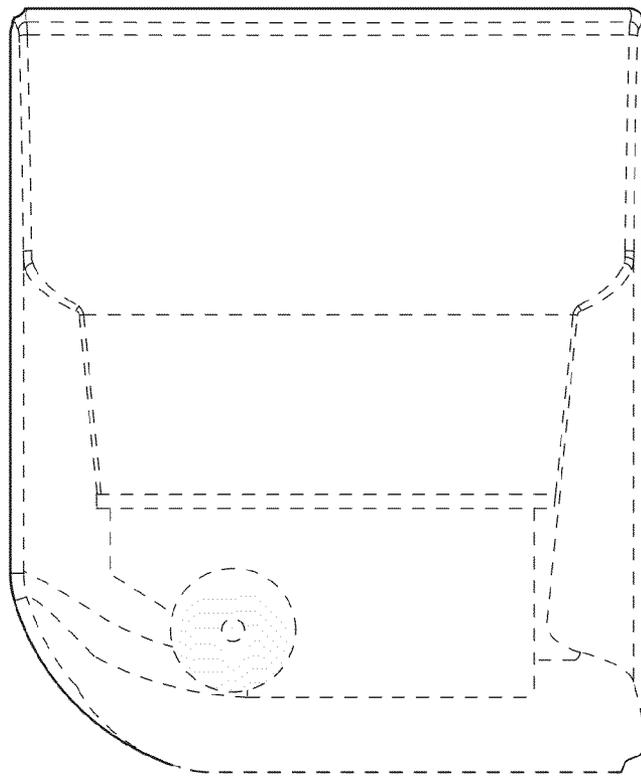


FIG. 7