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(57) **CLAIM**

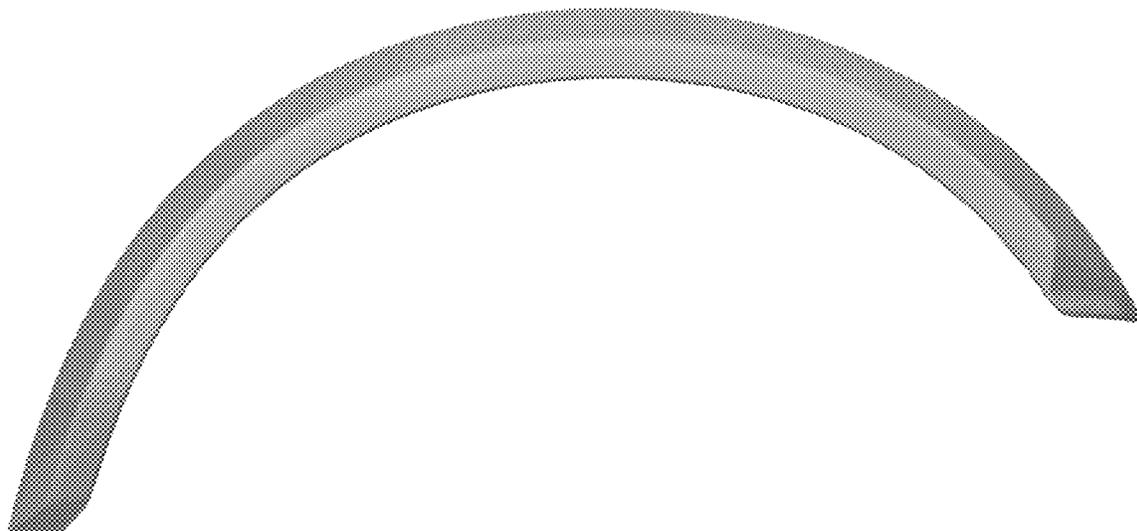
The ornamental design for a vehicle rear wheel flare, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a front elevational view of a vehicle rear wheel flare showing our new design;
 FIG. 2 is a left side elevational view thereof;
 FIG. 3 is a right side elevational view thereof;
 FIG. 4 is a top plan view thereof;
 FIG. 5 is a bottom plan view thereof;
 FIG. 6 is a top, front and left side perspective view thereof; and,
 FIG. 7 is a top, rear and right side perspective view thereof.
 Portions of the vehicle rear wheel flare surrounded by broken lines and shown in half-tone shading form no part of the claimed design.

1 Claim, 7 Drawing Sheets

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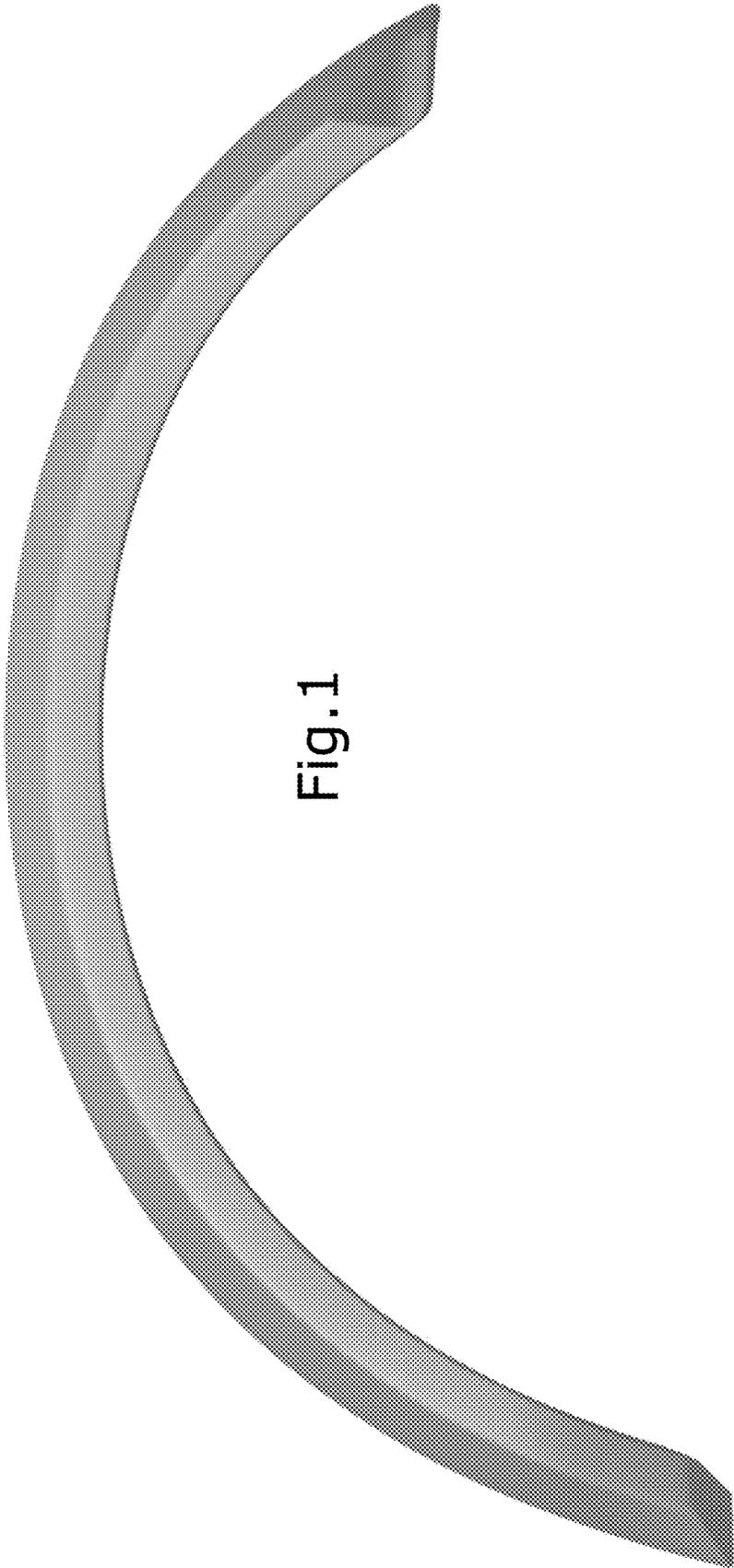


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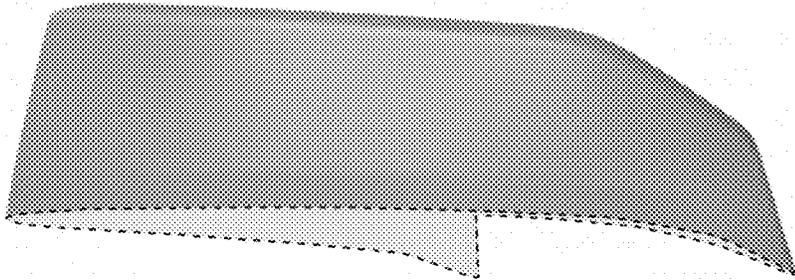


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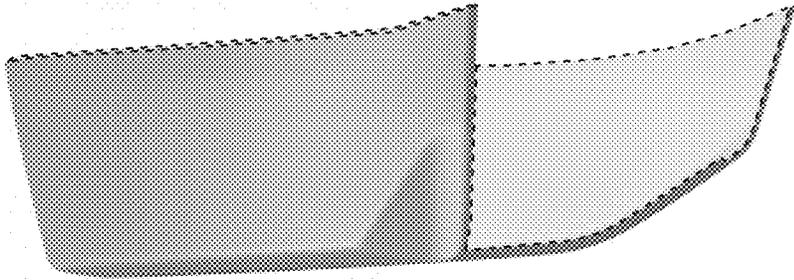


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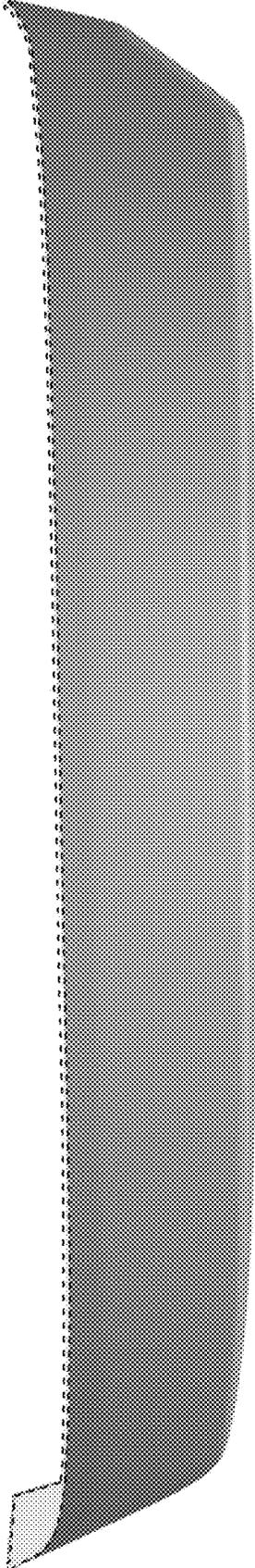


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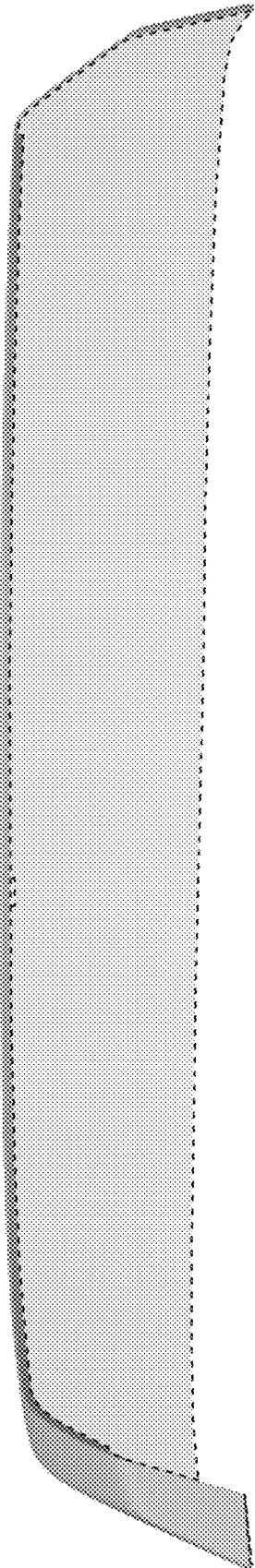


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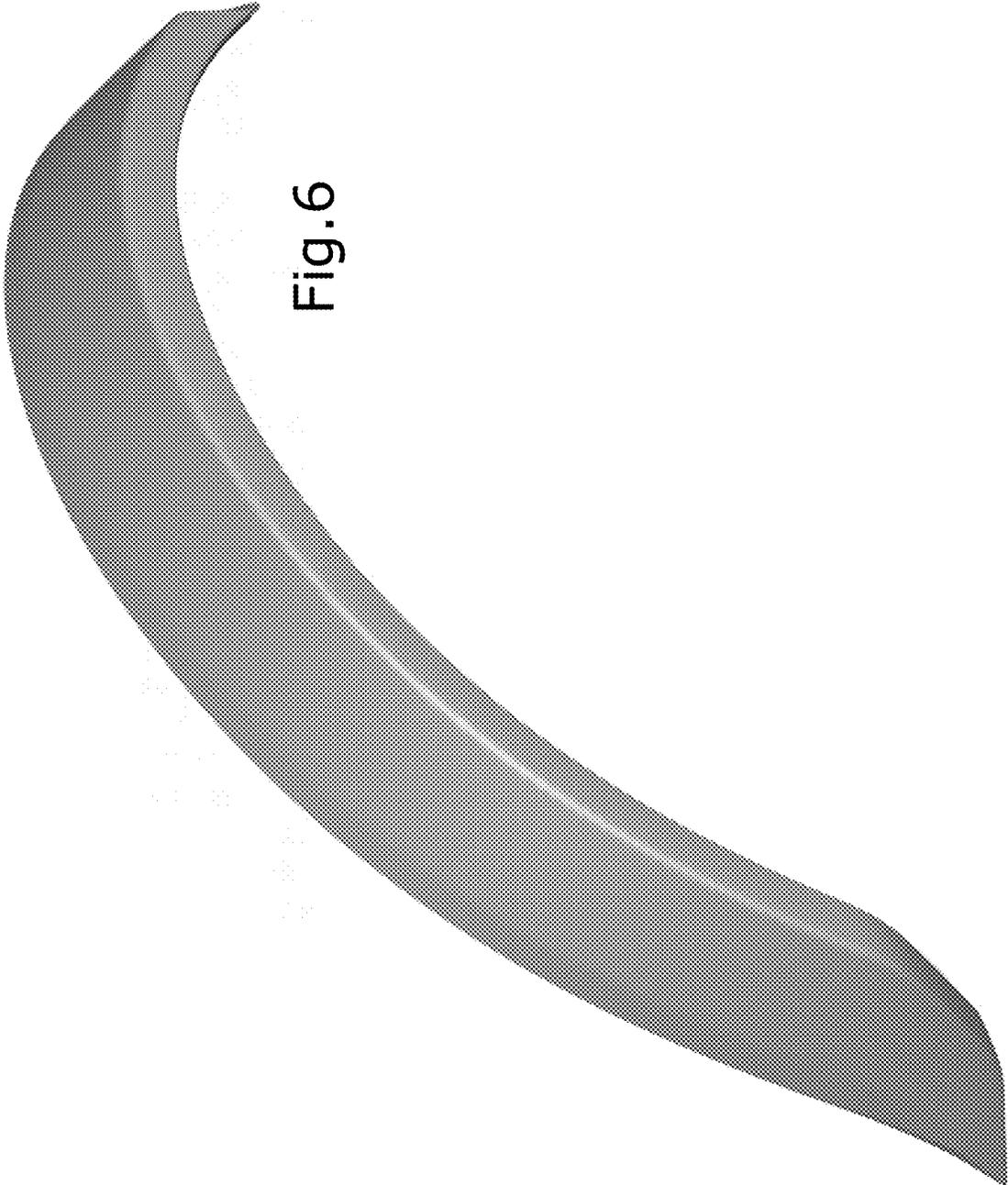


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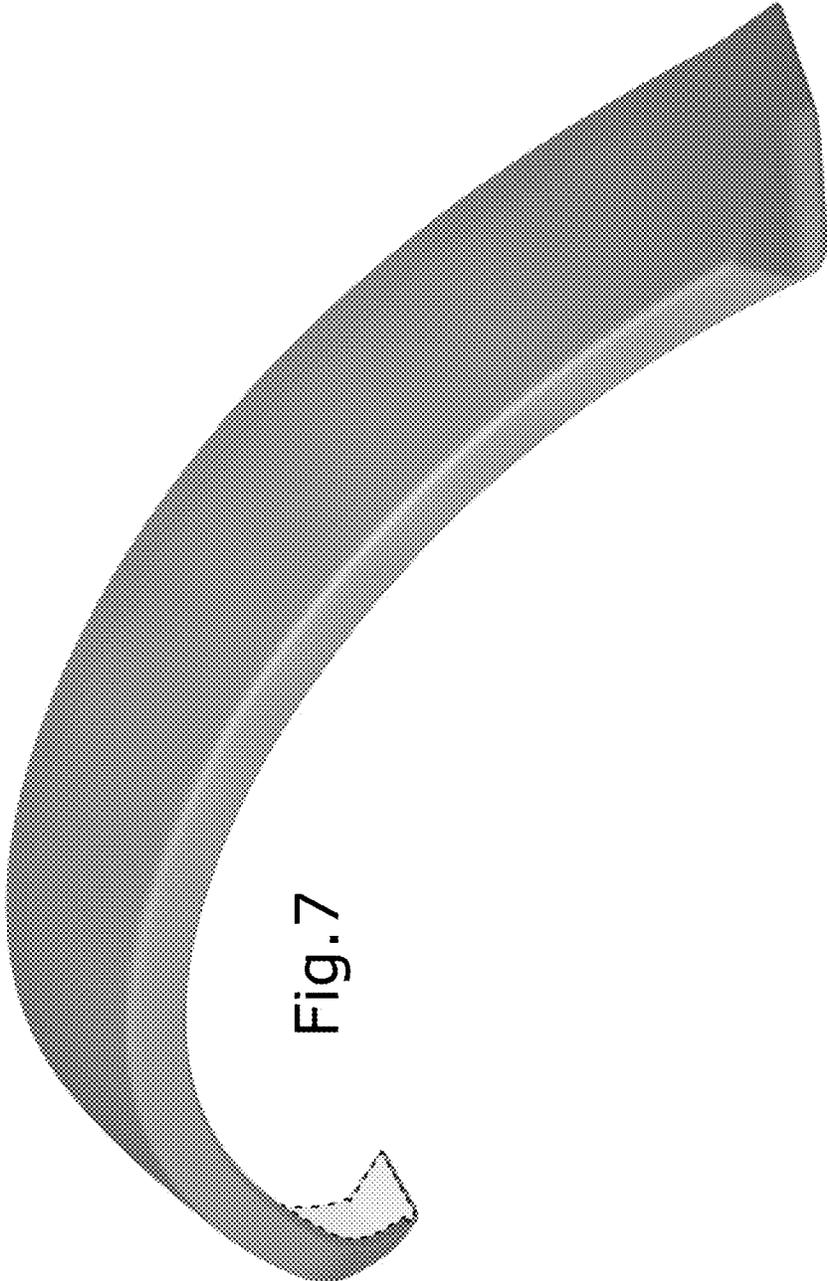


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