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SUV**

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## SECTION 1

### PURPOSE OF COMPLIANCE TEST

This 30 mph rear moving barrier impact test is part of the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) 301 Compliance Test Program conducted for the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) by Advanced Information Engineering Services under Contract No. DTNH22-01-C-01025. The purpose of this test was to determine if the subject vehicle, a 2004 Mitsubishi Endeavor SUV, meets the performance requirements of FMVSS No. 301, "Fuel System Integrity." This compliance test was conducted using the requirements found in the OVSC Laboratory Test Procedure No. TP-301-03, dated February 28, 2003.

## SECTION 2

### COMPLIANCE TEST RESULTS SUMMARY

A 1989.5 kg 2004 Mitsubishi Endeavor SUV was impacted from the rear by an 1797 kg moving barrier at a velocity of 47.80 kph (29.7 mph). The test was performed by Advanced Information Engineering Services on June 30, 2004.

The test vehicle was equipped with a 81 liter fuel tank which was filled to 92 percent capacity with stoddard fluid prior to impact. Additional ballast (16 kg) was secured at the left rear seat anchors. For the purpose of acquiring information for the Office of Vehicle Safety Research, one instrumented Part 572 E 50th percentile male Anthropomorphic Test Device (ATD) was placed in the P1 (driver) seating position and one instrumented Part 572 E 50th percentile male ATD was placed in the P3 (right rear) seating position. Various instruments were added to the test vehicle and the right front passenger seat was removed. Research data is presented in a separate report.

The crash event was recorded by ten high-speed cameras and one real-time camera. Camera locations and other pertinent camera information are found on pages 3-9 and 3-10 of this report. Pre- and post-test photographs of the vehicle can be found in Appendix A.

There was no fuel system fluid spillage following the impact or during any portion of the static rollover test. The average vehicle longitudinal crush was 141 millimeters. The vehicle appeared to comply with all the requirements of FMVSS No. 301 "Fuel System Integrity."

**SECTION 3**  
**COMPLIANCE TEST DATA**

# DATA SHEET 1

## TEST VEHICLE SPECIFICATIONS

### TEST VEHICLE INFORMATION:

Year/Make/Model/Body Style: 2004 Mitsubishi Endeavor SUV

NHTSA No.: C45601 ; Color: Silver

Engine Data: 6 Cylinders; - CID; 3.8 Liters; - cc

Placement: - Longitudinal or In-Line; X Transverse or Lateral

Transmission Data: 4 Speeds; - Manual; X Automatic; X Overdrive

Final Drive: - Rear Wheel Drive; X Front Wheel Drive; - Four Wheel Drive

Major Options: X A/C; X Power Steering; X Power Brakes  
X Power Windows; X Power Door Locks; X Tilt Wheel

Date Received: 10/16/03 ; Odometer Reading 117 km

Selling Dealer: Carlisle Mitsubishi

& Address: 177 Fairport Road, Fairport, NY 14450

### DATA FROM VEHICLE'S CERTIFICATION LABEL:

Vehicle Manufactured by: Mitsubishi Motors North America, Inc.

Date of Manufacture: AUG. 2003

VIN: 4A4MM21S44E034123

GVWR: 2290 kg; GAWR-FRONT: 1245 kg; GAWR-REAR: 1270 kg

### DATA FROM VEHICLE'S TIRE LABEL:

Location of Placard on Vehicle: Left B-Pillar

Recommended Tire Size: P235/65R17 103S or P235/65R17 103T

\* Recommended Cold Tire Pressure: FRONT: 220 kPa; REAR: 220 kPa

### DATA FROM TIRE SIDEWALL:

Size of Tires on Test Vehicle: P235/65R17 103S Manufacturer: Goodyear Integrity

Tire Pressure with Maximum Capacity Vehicle Load: FRONT: 300 kPa; REAR: 300 kPa

Type of Spare Tire: Temporary

### VEHICLE CAPACITY DATA:

Type of Front Seats: - Bench; X Bucket; - Split Bench

Number of Occupants: 2 Front; 3 Rear; 5 Total

Vehicle Capacity Weight (VCW) = 440 kg

No. of Occupants x 68.04 kg = 340.2 kg

Rated Cargo/Luggage Weight (RCLW) = 99.8 kg

\*Tire pressure used for test



# DATA SHEET 2

## PRE-TEST DATA

WEIGHT OF TEST VEHICLE AS RECEIVED FROM DEALER (with maximum fluids)= UDW:

Right Front	=	<u>491.0</u>	kg	Right Rear =	<u>375.0</u>	kg
Left Front	=	<u>519.0</u>	kg	Left Rear =	<u>364.0</u>	kg
TOTAL FRONT	=	<u>1010.0</u>	kg	TOTAL REAR =	<u>739.0</u>	kg
TOTAL DELIVERED WEIGHT	=	<u>1749.0</u>	kg			
% of Total Front of Vehicle Weight	=	<u>57.7%</u>		of Total Rear Weight	=	<u>42.3%</u>

CALCULATION OF VEHICLE'S TARGET TEST WEIGHT:

Total Delivered Weight	=	<u>1749.0</u>	kg
Rated Cargo/Luggage Weight (RCLW)	=	<u>99.8</u>	kg
Weight of 2 p.572 Dummies, 74.4 kg	=	<u>148.8</u>	kg
TARGET TEST WEIGHT	=	<u>1997.6</u>	kg

WEIGHT OF TEST VEHICLE WITH TWO DUMMIES AND 91.7 KG OF CARGO WEIGHT:

Right Front	=	<u>561.0</u>	kg	Right Rear =	<u>423.5</u>	kg
Left Front	=	<u>576.0</u>	kg	Left Rear =	<u>429.0</u>	kg
TOTAL FRONT	=	<u>1137.0</u>	kg	TOTAL REAR =	<u>852.5</u>	kg
TOTAL TEST WEIGHT	=	<u>1989.5</u>	kg			
% of Total Front of Vehicle Weight	=	<u>57.2%</u>		of Total Rear Weight	=	<u>42.8%</u>

\* Weight of Ballast Secured in Vehicle Trunk Area = 16 kg

Type of Ballast: Lead Shot

Method of Securing Ballast: Left rear seat anchorages

Vehicle Components Removed for Weight Reduction: None

VEHICLE ATTITUDE (all dimension in millimeters):

AS DELIVERED:	RF	<u>879</u>	LF	<u>880</u>	RR	<u>871</u>	LR	<u>864</u>
AS TESTED:	RF	<u>860</u>	LF	<u>856</u>	RR	<u>853</u>	LR	<u>848</u>
Vehicle's Wheel Base:	<u>2755</u>	mm						
Location of Vehicle's C.G.:	<u>1181</u>	millimeters rearward of front wheel center.						

FUEL SYSTEM DATA:

Fuel System Capacity From Owner's Manual	=	<u>81.0</u>	liters
Usable Capacity Figure Furnished by COTR	=	<u>81.0</u>	liters
Test Volume Range (91 to 94% of Usable Capacity)	=	<u>73.71</u>	to <u>76.14</u> liters
ACTUAL TEST VOLUME	=	<u>74.57</u>	liters (with entire fuel system filled)

\* Ballast weight includes the RCLW, the weight of drained vehicle fluids and the weight of any removed vehicle components less the weight of onboard instrumentation, cameras, and hardware.

# DATA SHEET 2 (continued)

## PRE-TEST DATA

### FUEL SYSTEM DATA (continued):

Test Fluid Type:	<u>Stoddard Solution</u>	
Test Fluid Specific Gravity:	<u>0.764</u>	
Test Fluid Kinematic Viscosity:	<u>0.96</u>	<u>centistokes</u>
Test Fluid Color:	<u>Orange</u>	<u>("red" is preferred)</u>
Type of Vehicle Fuel Pump:	<u>Electric</u>	
Electric Fuel Pump Operation with Ignition Switch ON and Engine OFF -		
<u>When ignition is switched on without starting the engine, the fuel pump operates for several seconds then shuts off.</u>		
<u>Details of Fuel System: Fuel filler is located on the left rear quarter panel aft of the rear axle; Fuel tank is located on the vehicle underbody beneath the rear seat and forward of the rear axle; Fuel lines are routed along the left side of the vehicle underbody.</u>		
<u>Comments: None</u>		
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# DATA SHEET 3

## MOVING BARRIER DATA

### WEIGHT OF MOVING BARRIER:

Right Front	=	<u>504.9</u>	kg	Right Rear	=	<u>393.7</u>	kg.
Left Front	=	<u>499.9</u>	kg	Left Rear	=	<u>398.3</u>	kg
TOTAL FRONT	=	<u>1004.8</u>	kg	TOTAL REAR	=	<u>792.0</u>	kg
TOTAL BARRIER WEIGHT =		<u>1796.8</u>	kg				

### MOVING BARRIER DIMENSIONS:

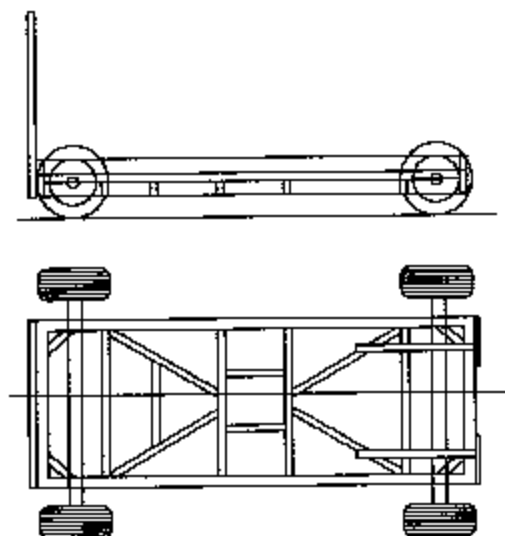
Barrier Face Height:	<u>1524</u>	mm
Barrier Face Width:	<u>1981</u>	mm
Barrier Face Ground Clearance:	<u>127</u>	mm
Tread Width:	<u>1511</u>	mm
Wheel Base:	<u>3048</u>	mm
Location of C.G.:	X: <u>1344</u> mm rearward of front wheel center.	
	Y: <u>0</u> mm from longitudinal-vertical plane of symmetry.	
	Z: <u>414</u> mm above ground.	

### MOVING BARRIER TIRES:

Manufacturer:	<u>Dunlop</u>
Model:	<u>AT Radial Rover</u>
Size:	<u>P205/75R15</u>
Recommended Max Pressure:	<u>240</u> kPa:

### MOVING BARRIER ABORT SYSTEM:

Type: Trailing cable



DATA SHEET 4  
POST TEST DATA

**TYPE OF TEST:**

Type of Test: Rear Barrier Impact Angle: 0°  
Test Date: June 30, 2004 Time: 11:49 Temperature: 21.1 °C  
Vehicle NHTSA No.: C45601 VIN: 4A4MM21S44E034123  
Required Impact Velocity Range: 46.51 to 48.12 kph

**BARRIER IMPACT VELOCITY:** (Speed traps within 5 feet of impact plane.)

Trap No. 1 = 47.80 kph; Trap No. 2 = 47.80 kph  
Average Impact Speed = 47.80 kph

**VEHICLE STATIC CRUSH:**

Vehicle Length:

Pre-Test	Left =	<u>4647</u>	; C/L =	<u>4835</u>	Right =	<u>4650</u>
Post-Test	Left =	<u>4527</u>	; C/L =	<u>4650</u>	Right =	<u>4531</u>
Crush	Left =	<u>120</u>	; C/L =	<u>185</u>	Right =	<u>119</u>
AVERAGE	=	<u>141</u>	millimeters			

## DATA SHEET 4 (continued)

## POST TEST DATA

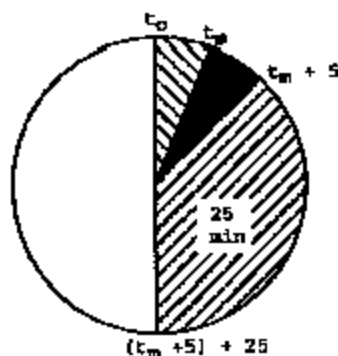
TEST VEHICLE NHTSA NO.: C45601 TEST DATE: June 30, 2004Vehicle Mfg./Make/Model: 2004 Mitsubishi Endeavor SUV

Test vehicle fuel tank filled to 91% to 94% of manufacturer's "usable" capacity and with electric fuel pump operating (if it will operate without engine operation). Part 572 test dummies located at each front designated seating position.

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TEST VEHICLE IMPACT TYPE:

- Frontal (42.28 kph target velocity)  
 - Oblique (42.28 kph target velocity) with     ° barrier face first contacting      (driver/passenger) side  
X Rear Moving Barrier (42.28 kph target velocity)  
 - Lateral Moving Barrier (32.19 kph target velocity)

## FUEL SPILLAGE MEASUREMENT:



1. From impact until vehicle motion ceases
2. For five minute period after vehicle motion ceases
3. For next 25 minutes

ACTUAL	MAX ALLOWED
0	28 g
0	28 g.
0	28 g/min.

## SOLVENT SPILLAGE DETAILS:

None

# DATA SHEET 5

## STATIC ROLLOVER TEST DATA

Table 7. FMVSS NO. 301 - STATIC ROLLOVER DATA SHEET

Vehicle: 2004 Mitsubishi Endeavor SUV

NHTSA No.: C45601



### I. DETERMINATION OF SOLVENT COLLECTION TIME PERIOD:

Rollover Stage	Rotation Time (spec. 1 - 3 min)				FMVSS 301 Hold Time		Total Time				Next Whole Minute Interval	
0° - 90°	1	minutes	12	seconds	5	minutes	6	minutes	12	seconds	7	minutes
90° - 180°	1	minutes	4	seconds	5	minutes	6	minutes	4	seconds	7	minutes
180° - 270°	1	minutes	4	seconds	5	minutes	6	minutes	4	seconds	7	minutes
270° - 360°	1	minutes	17	seconds	5	minutes	6	minutes	17	seconds	7	minutes

### II. FMVSS 301 REQUIREMENTS: (Maximum allowable solvent spillage):

First 5 minutes from onset of rotation	6th min.	7th min.	8th min. (if required)
142 g	28 g	28 g	28 g

### III. ACTUAL TEST VEHICLE SOLVENT SPILLAGE:

Rollover Stage	First 5 minutes from onset of rotation (g)	6th min. (g)	7th min. (g)	8th min. (if required) (g)
0° - 90°	0	0	0	-
90° - 180°	0	0	0	-
180° - 270°	0	0	0	-
270° - 360°	0	0	0	-

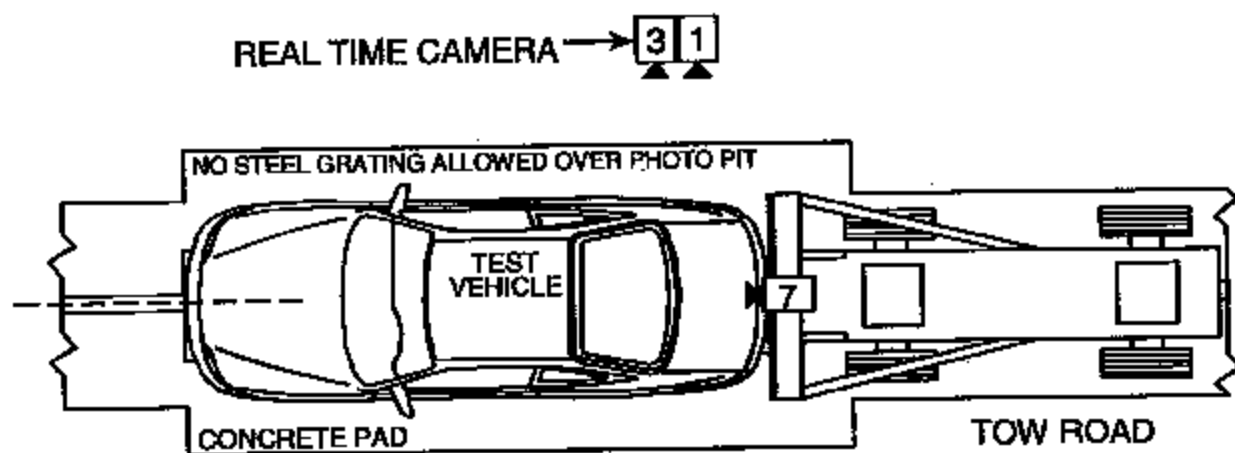
Note: Record spillage for whole minute intervals only as determined above.

### IV. SOLVENT SPILLAGE LOCATION(S):

Rollover Stage	Spillage Location
0° - 90°	None
90° - 180°	None
180° - 270°	None
270° - 360°	None

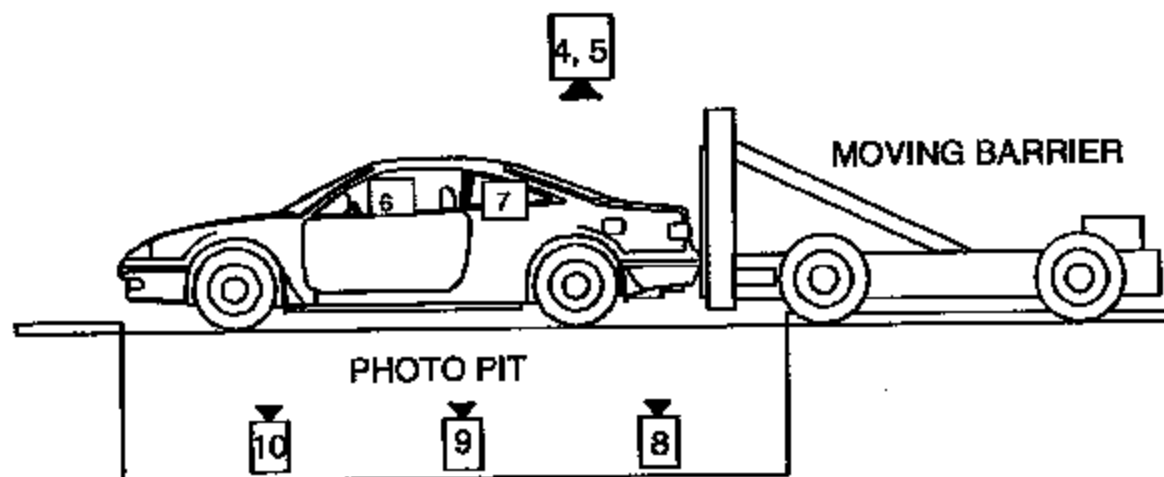
# DATA SHEET 6

## HIGH SPEED CAMERA LOCATIONS



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TOP VIEW



LEFT SIDE VIEW

DATA SHEET 6 (continued)  
HIGH SPEED CAMERA LOCATIONS

NHTSA No.: C43601

Vehicle: 2004 Mitsubishi Endeavor SUV

CAMERA NO.	VIEW	CAMERA POSITIONS (mm)*			ANGLE** (degrees)	LENS (mm)	SPEED (fps)
		X	Y	Z			
1	Real-Time Camera	-	-	-	-	-	24
2	Left Side View	17665	2960	1098	1.0	13	1005
3	Right Side View	-16665	1415	1135	-1.0	25	1000
4	Overhead Overall View	-508	0	9804	-90	13	1000
5	Overhead Close View	-508	0	9804	-105	35	1000
6†	Onboard Driver View	-912	2660	1160	-5.0	8	1005
7†	Onboard Passenger View	1013	1858	1204	-0.5	8	1000
8	Vehicle Rear Underbody View	0	950	-1956	90	13	1005
9	Vehicle Mid-Section Underbody View	0	2525	-1956	90	13	1015
10	Vehicle Front Underbody View	0	3850	-1956	90	13	1005

\* X = film plane to monorail centerline (+ to left of rail)

Y = film plane to impact location (+ ahead of impact location)

Z = film plane to ground (+ above ground)

\*\* = referenced to horizontal plane

† Research cameras – X distance is measured to the reference target plane.



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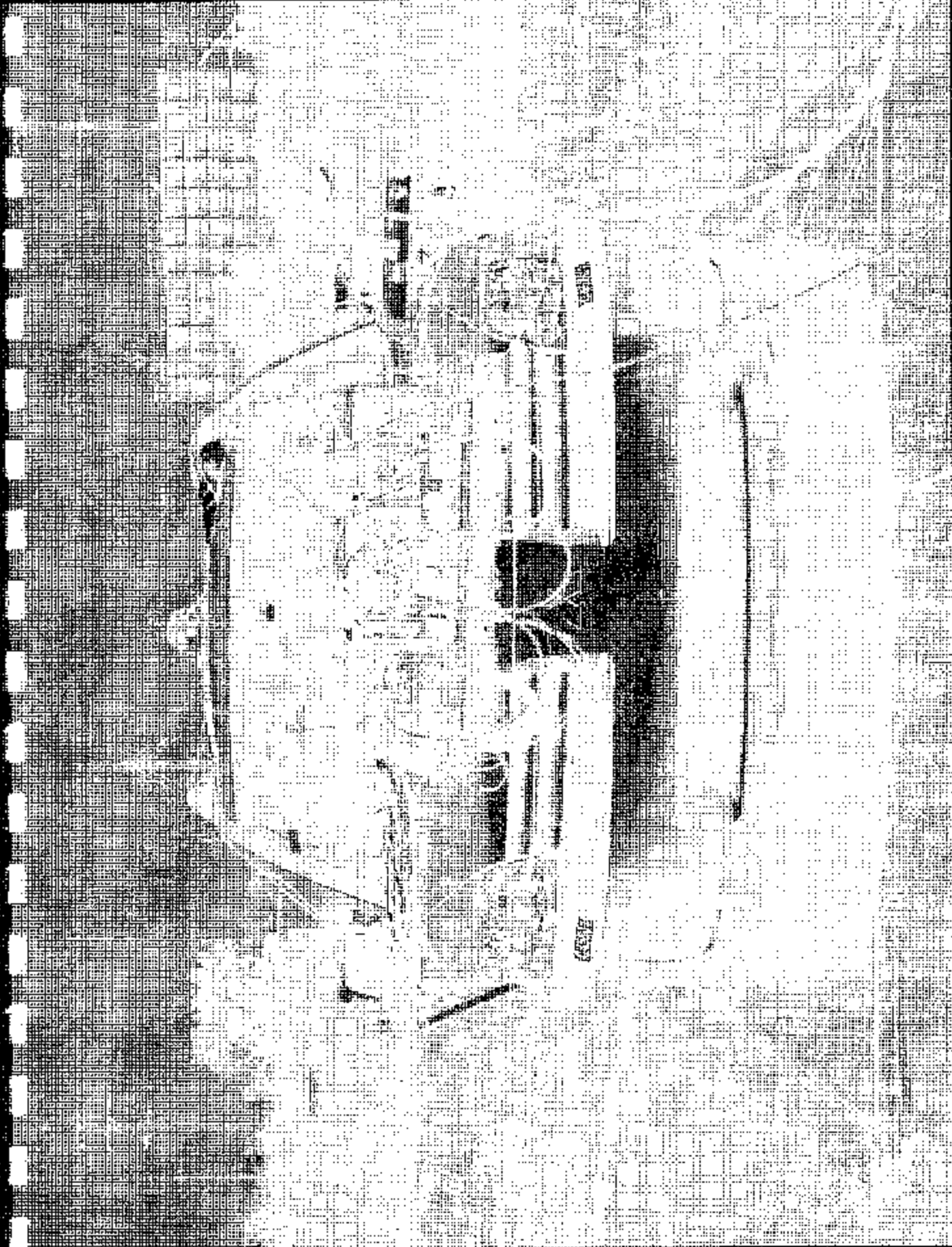


Figure A-1 PRE-TEST FRONT VIEW

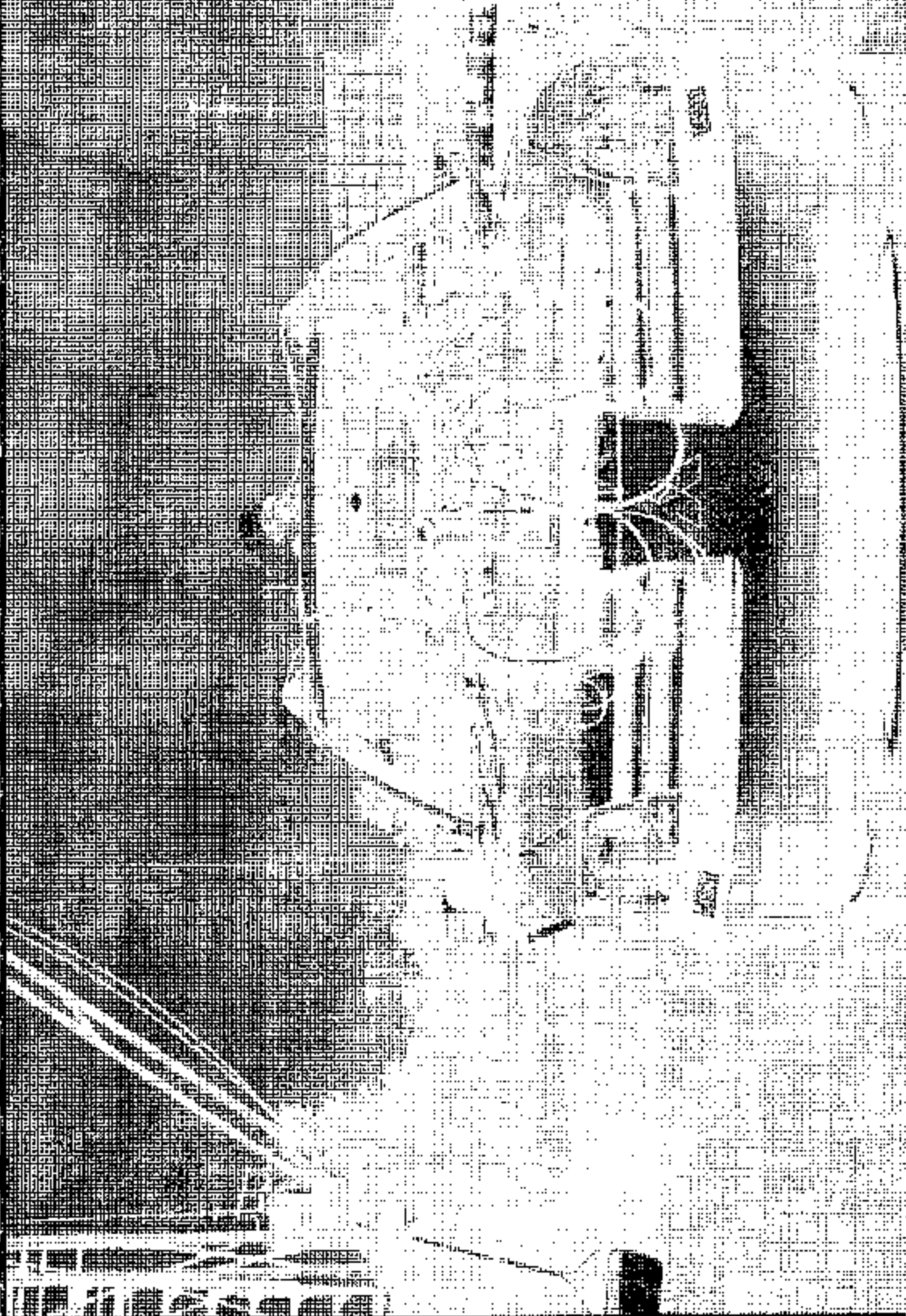


Figure A-2 POST-TEST FRONT VIEW

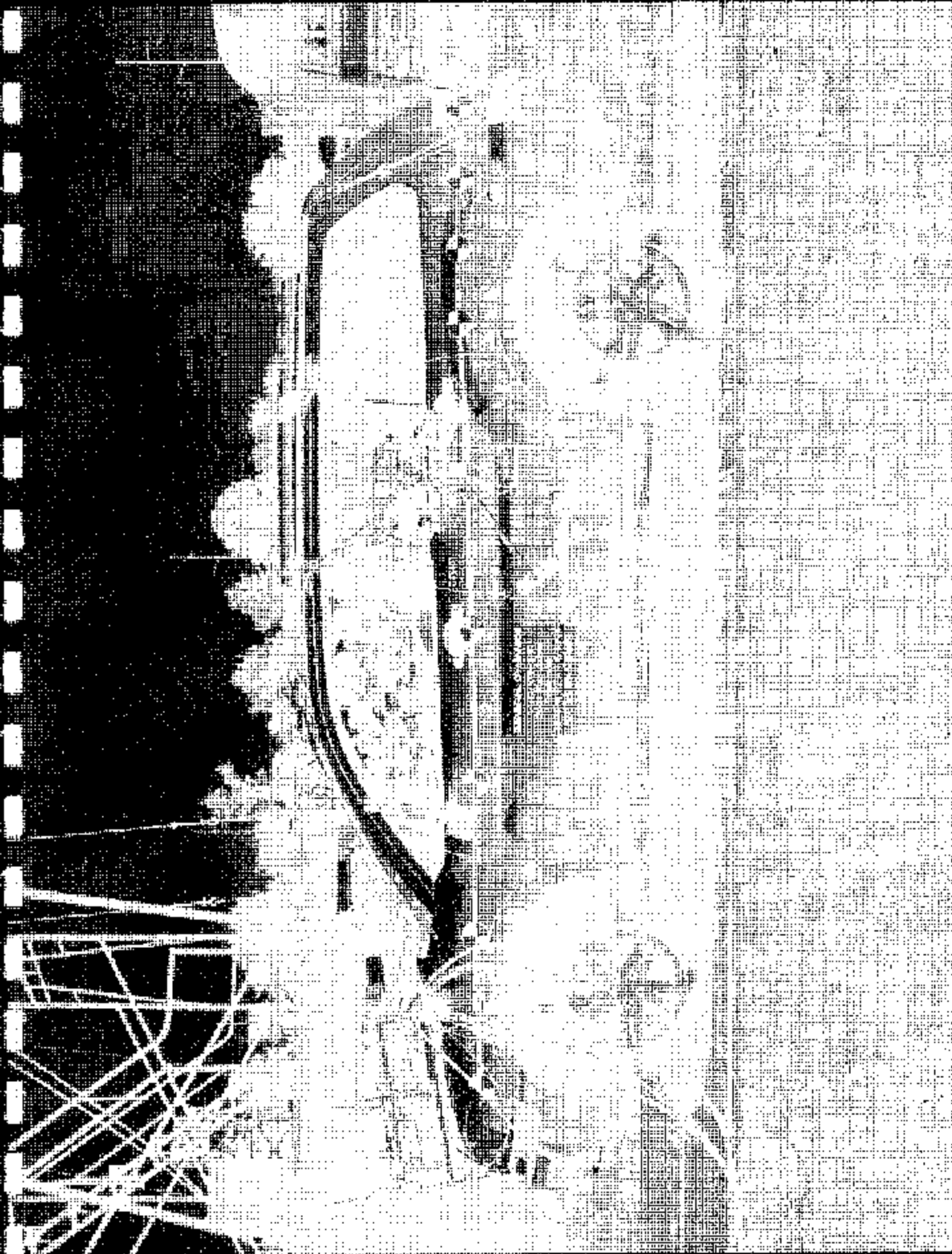


Figure A-3 PRE-TEST LEFT SIDE VIEW



Figure A-4 POST-TEST LEFT SIDE VIEW

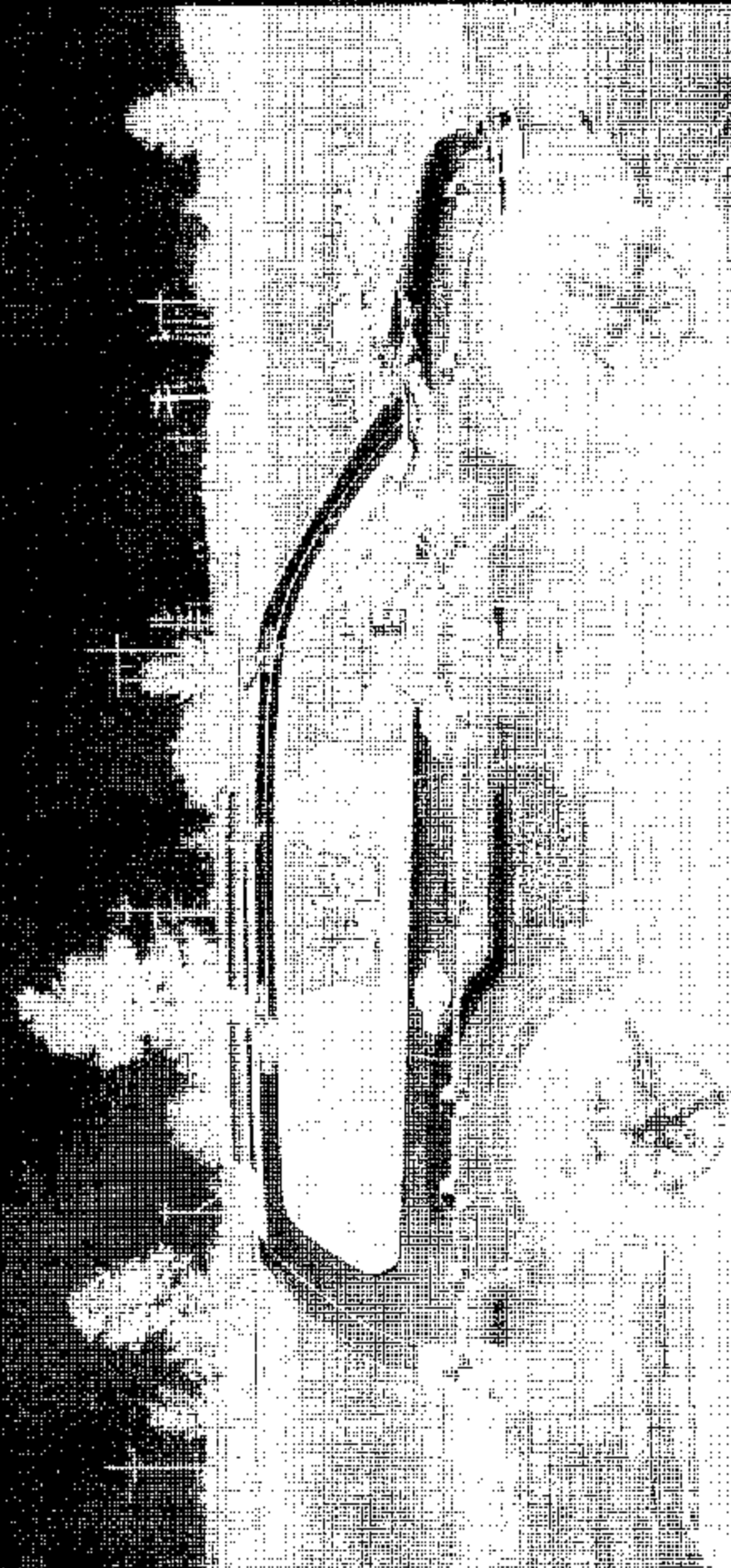


Figure A-5 PRE-TEST RIGHT SIDE VIEW

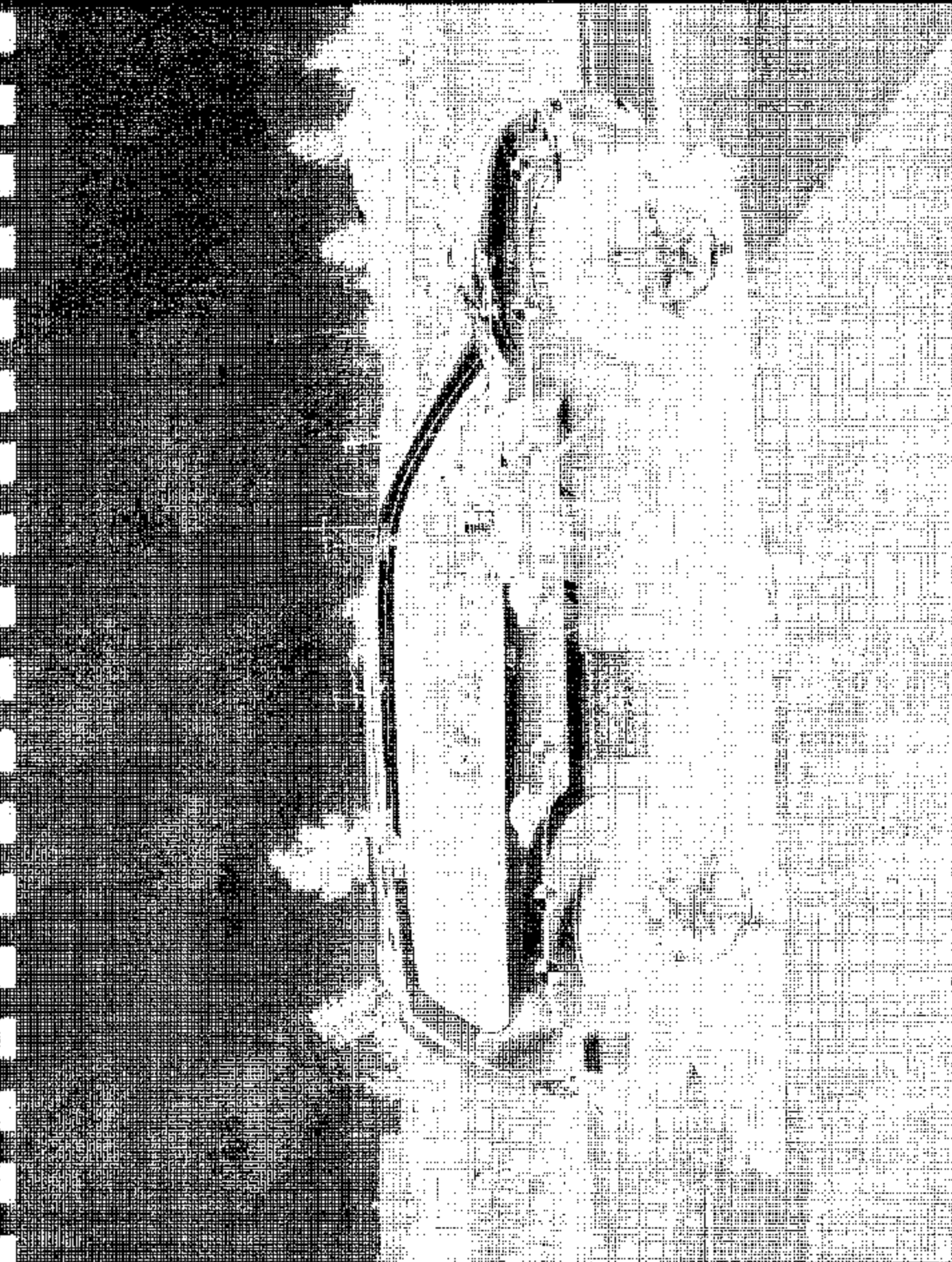


Figure A-6 POST-TEST RIGHT SIDE VIEW



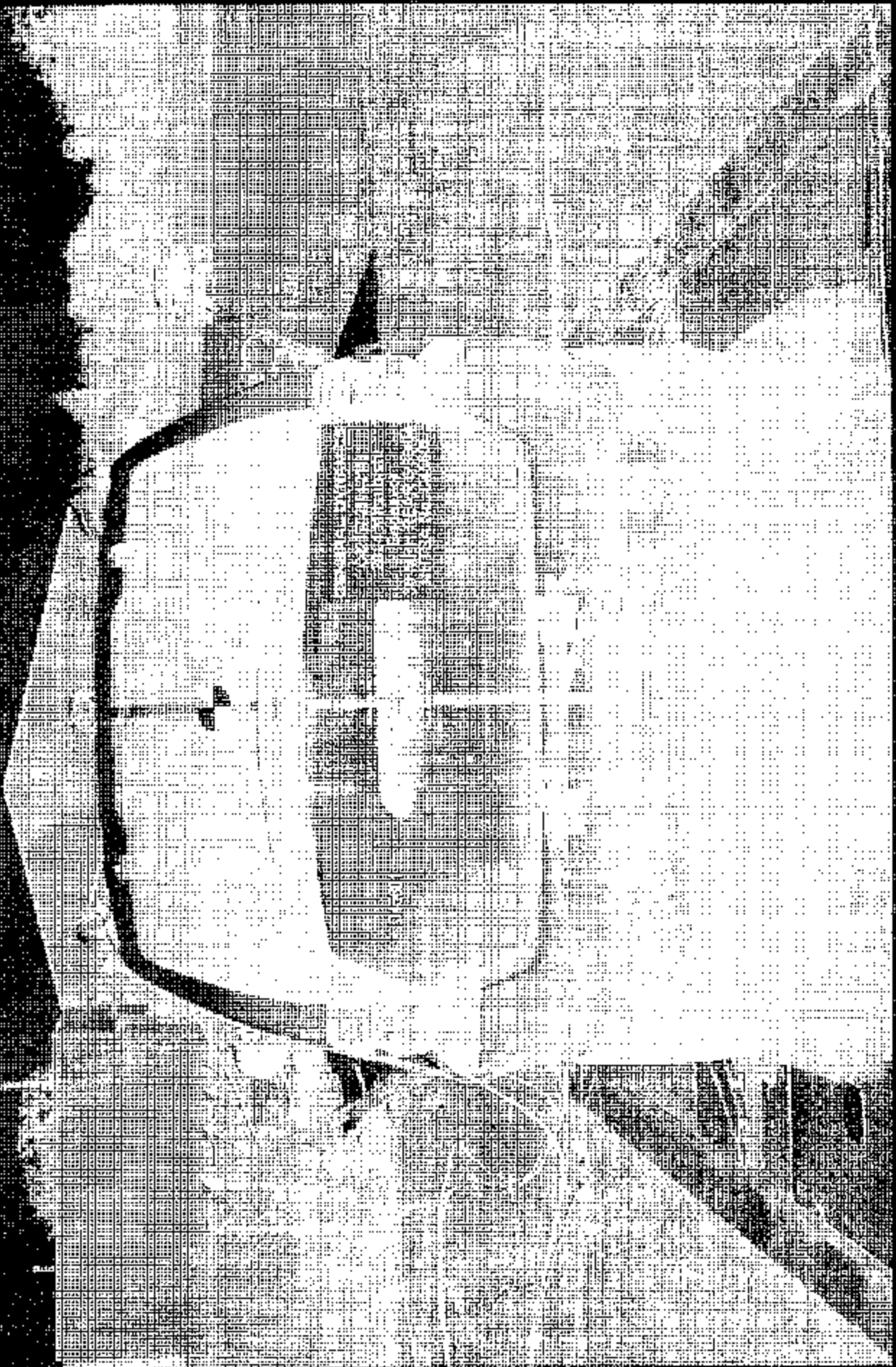


Figure A-7 PRE-TEST REAR VIEW



Figure A-8 POST-TEST REAR VIEW

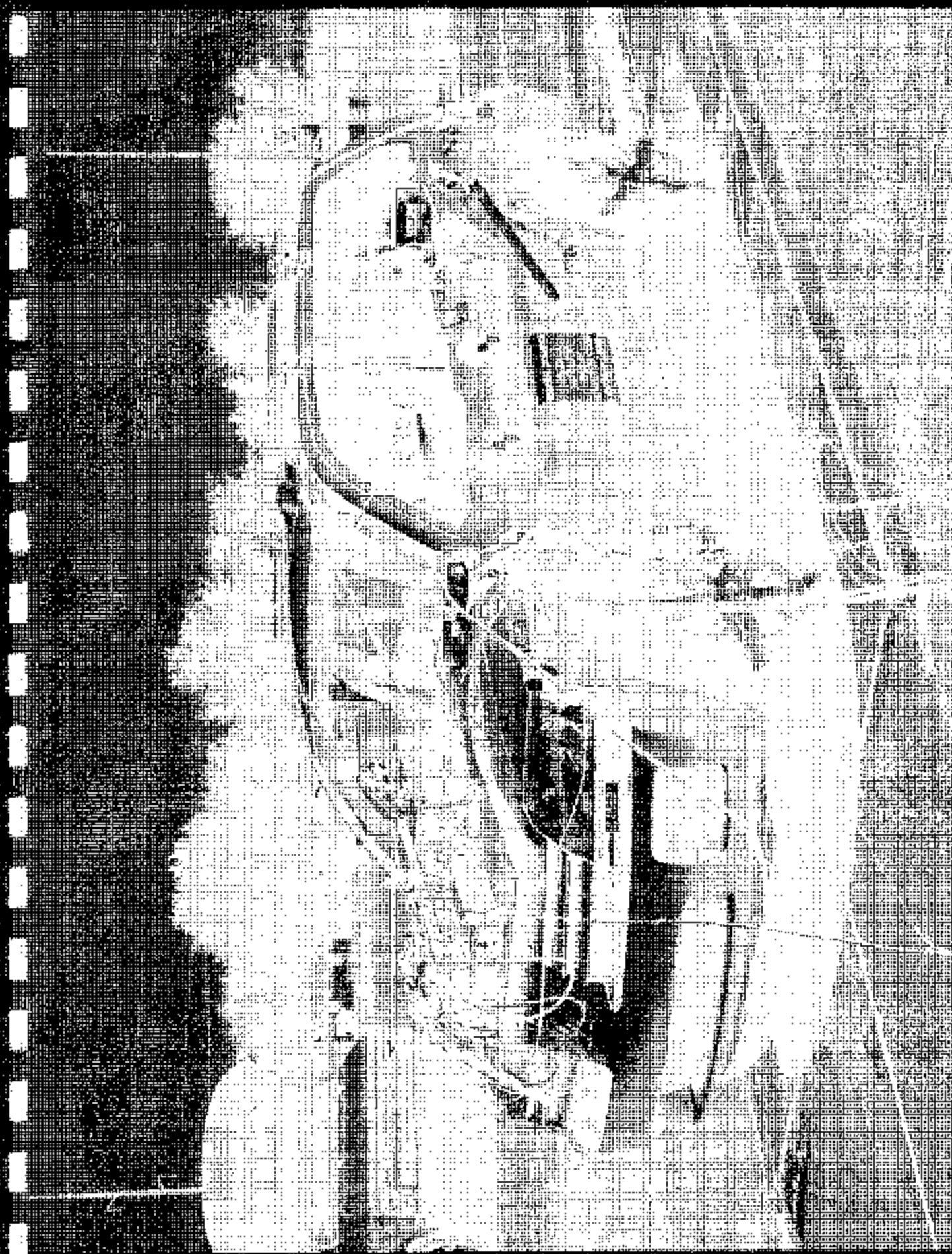


Figure A-3 PRE-TEST LEFT FRONT THREE-QUARTER VIEW



Figure A-10 POST-TEST LEFT FRONT THREE-QUARTER VIEW

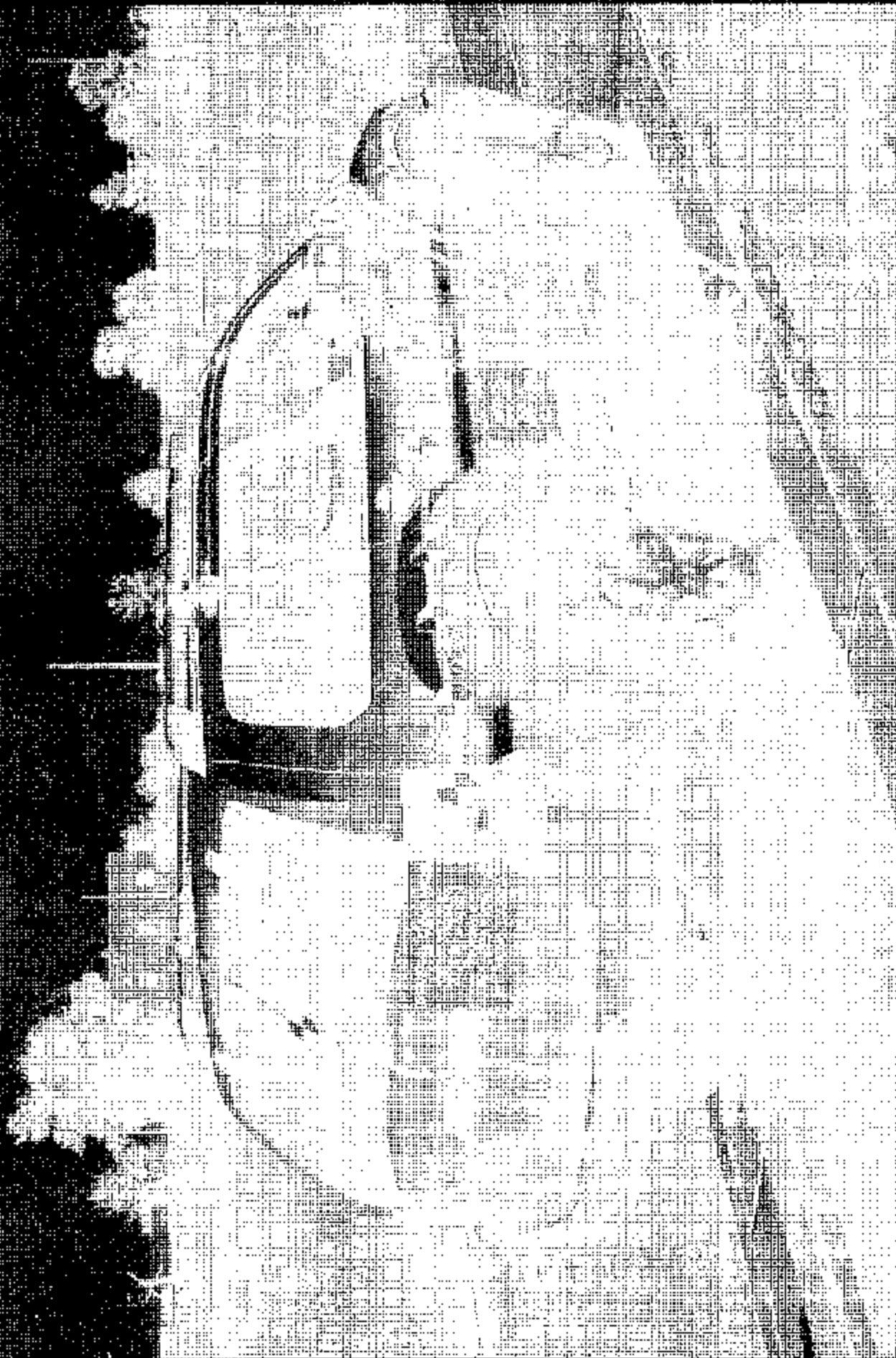


Figure A-11 PRE-TEST RIGHT REAR THREE-QUARTER VIEW



Figure A-12 POST-TEST RIGHT REAR THREE-QUARTER VIEW



Figure A-13 PRE-TEST FRONT UNDERBODY VIEW

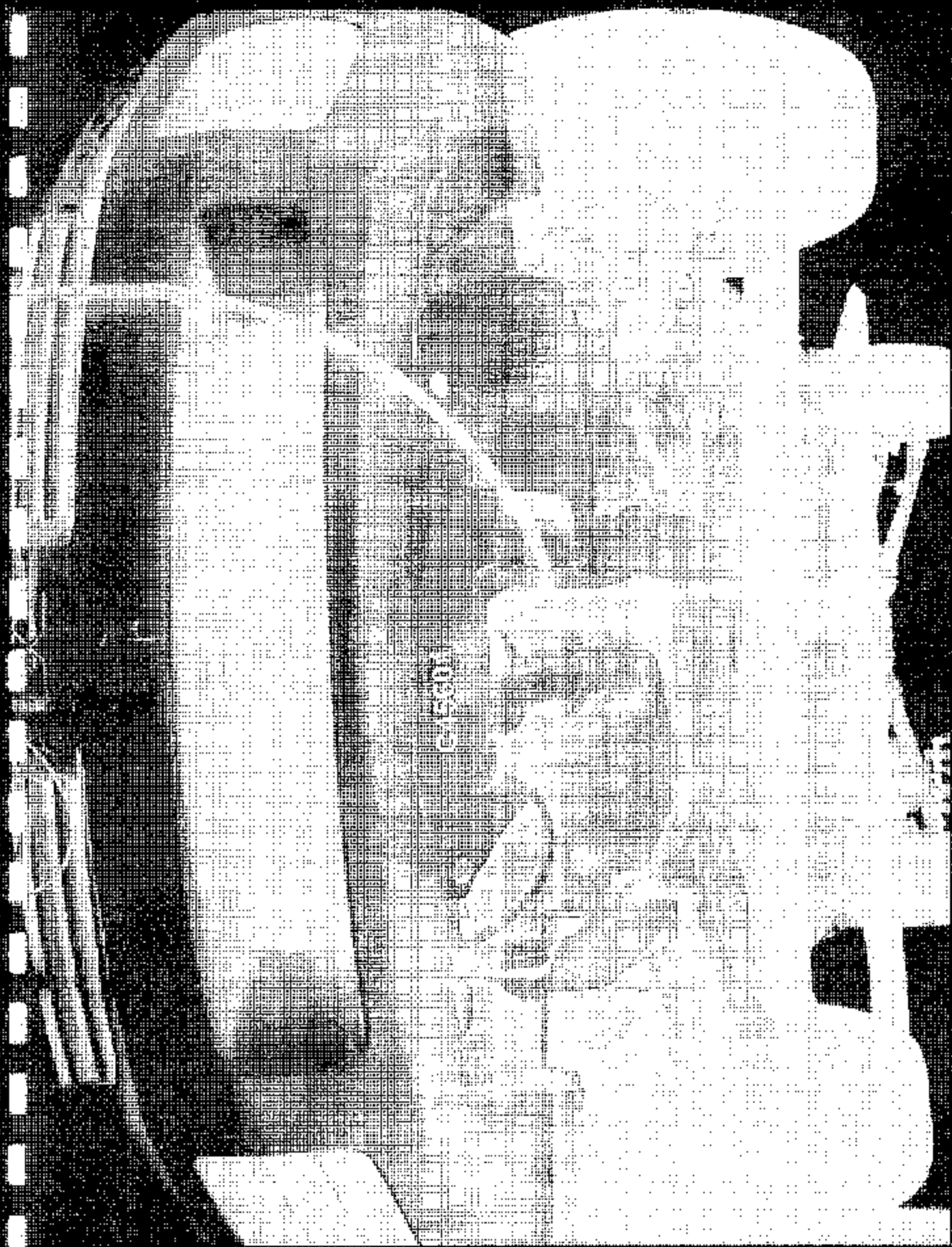


Figure A-14 PDST-TEST FRONT UNDERBODY VIEW



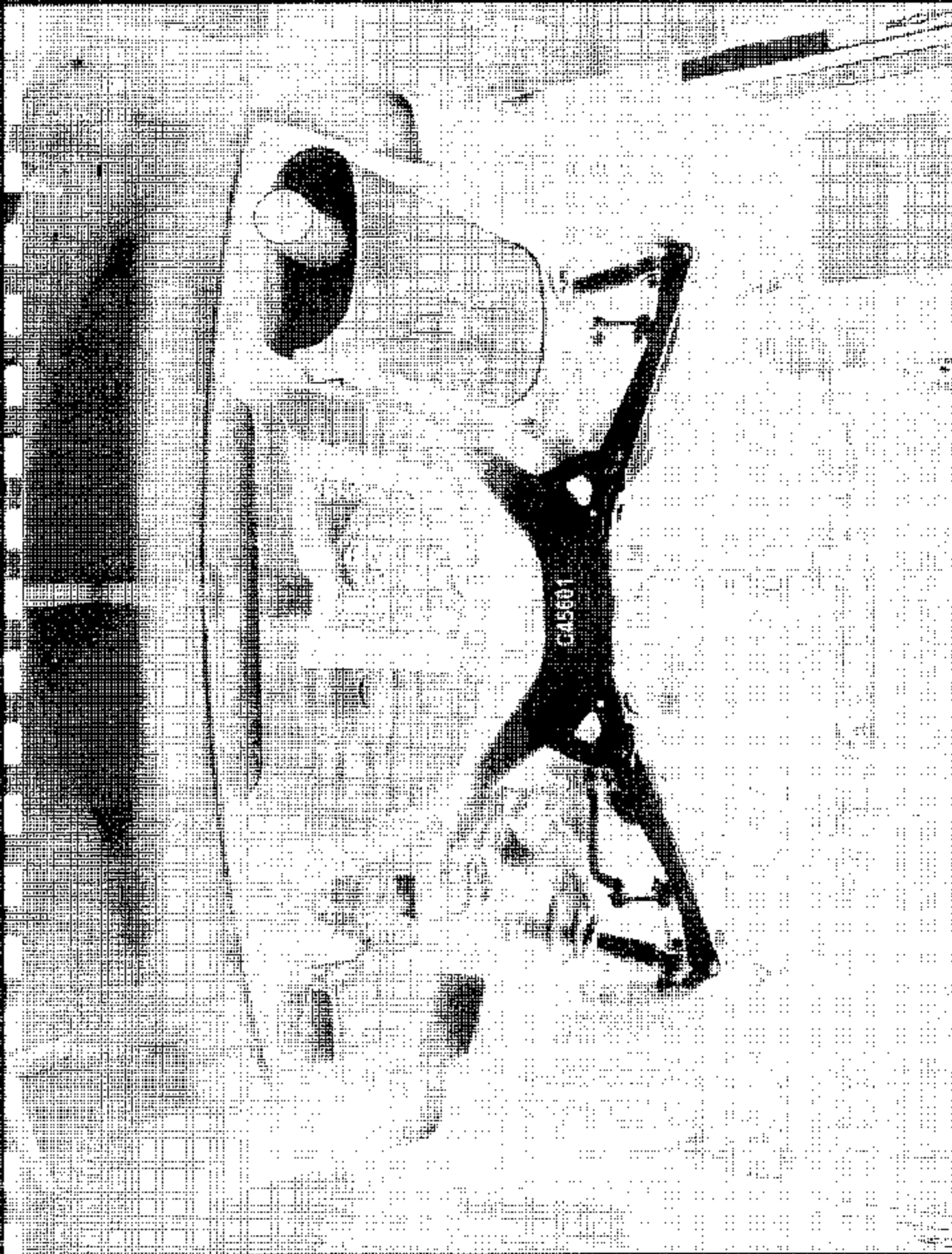


Figure A-15 PRE-TEST REAR UNDERBODY VIEW



Figure A-16 POST-TEST REAR UNDERBODY VIEW

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Figure A-18 TIRE PLACARD



Figure A-19 ROLLOVER 90°



Figure A-20 ROLL OVER 180°



Figure A-31 ROLL OVER 270°

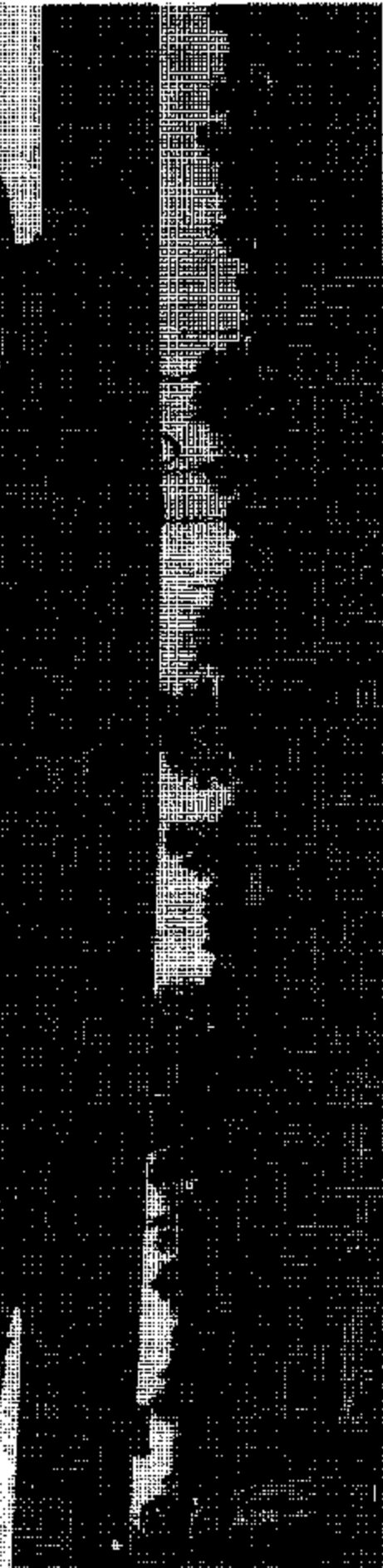
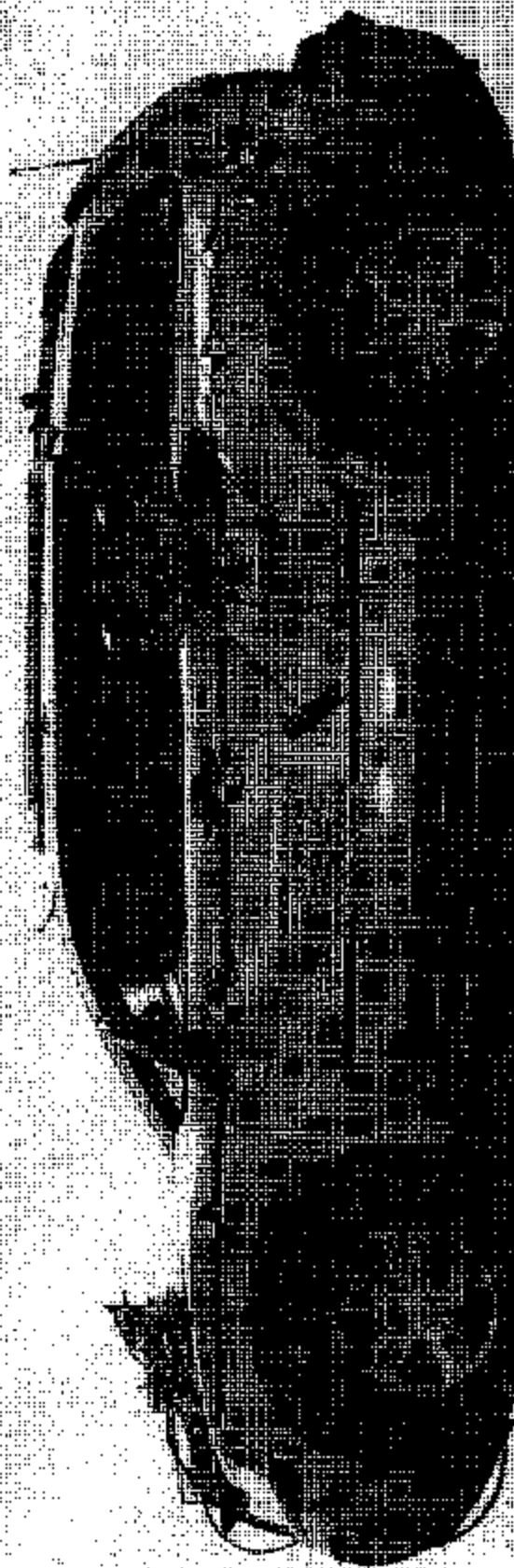


Figure A-22 ROLLOVER 360°