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(54) Title: GABLE TOP CONTAINER WITH PULL TAB**(57) Abstract**

The invention relates to a boxed end container having one end closed by a transverse ridge seal and carrying a pull tab whereby a separating force can be applied to the ridge seal of the sealed container so as to separate at least part of the ridge seal and thus open the container and allow discharge of its contents, which pull tab comprises a generally planar member having an axially extending shank member with a proximal end portion adapted to be gripped and pulled by a user and a distal end portion having foot members extending transversely to each side of thereof, the shank and foot members being substantially co-planar with one another, the pull tab being secured by the foot members externally to a wall of the container at or adjacent to the ridge seal of the container.

