# SEALED AND THERMALLY INSULATING TANK

## ABSTRACT

The invention relates to a sealed and thermally insulating tank for the storage or transport of a cold fluid, in which each tank wall comprises a sealed membrane and a thermally insulating barrier fitted between the sealed membrane and the supporting wall,

in which a bottom supporting wall (2) presents a drain hole (11) passing through the bottom supporting wall,

in which the bottom supporting wall carries a projecting flange (10) to guide a flow of liquid to the drain hole, the projecting flange extending along the edges of the bottom supporting wall (2) at a distance from the edges of the bottom supporting wall continuously on substantially the whole periphery of the bottom supporting wall. The supporting wall may consist of the hull of a ship.

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