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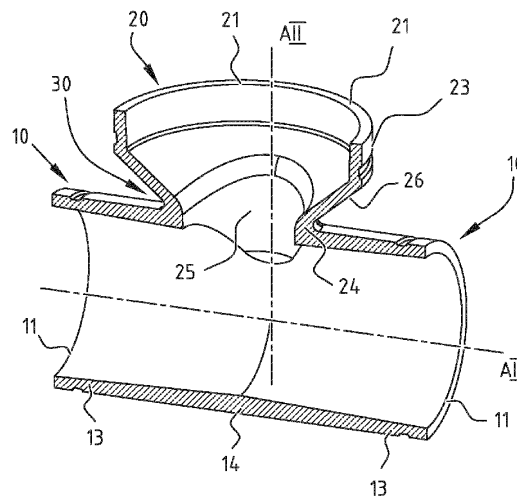


FIG. 4

(57) Abstract: Tubular connecting member arranged for interconnecting a plurality of tubular members in a fluid flow system, the tubular connecting member comprising: - at least one primary outlet having a primary in-Zoutflow direction, wherein the primary outlet is arranged for connecting, to an outer end thereof, a primary tubular element having, at least at its outer end, a cylindrical cross-section; - at least one secondary outlet having a secondary in-Zoutflow direction, wherein the secondary outlet is arranged for connecting, to an outer end thereof, a secondary tubular element having, at least at its outer end, a cylindrical cross-section; wherein the secondary in-Zoutflow direction is arranged at a non-zero angle with respect to the primary in-Zoutflow direction; and wherein the secondary outlet further comprises an inner section having, as seen in a plane that is perpendicular to the secondary in-Zoutflow direction, a non-round, in particular oval-shaped, cross-section.

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