

Cascade Clamps

Cascade Clamps - Established in Portland, Oregon in 1943, the Cascade Manufacturing Company started as a small machine shop hiring just 4 people. Total sales for that initial year amounted to about sixty thousand dollars. The first recorded sales revenues involved the assembly and machining of stainless-steel pipe fittings, valves and other parts. Through five years of operation, the business had stretched to 40 staff and their annual sales volume had risen to three hundred thirty thousand dollars. Now, Cascade is one of the top worldwide manufacturers in the material handling trade.

Production and design of the company's first hydraulic cylinder paved the way in Cascade's aggressive quest of new business possibilities. During the past sixty years, the material handling trade has developed into a highly advanced area and Cascade has proudly performed a part in this growth. Cascade at present continues to develop as the leader provider of forklift attachments and numerous associated items. The business feels certain in their ability to be able to continue to lead the way within the business by understanding customer's requirements in the future and remaining competitive within the global market.

In the nineteen fifties, Cascade began designing, fabricating and advertising hydraulic accessories. Manufacturing was finished in the year 1956 on a new office to be able to house all office and plant operations in Portland, Oregon at the company's present center of operations. After fifteen years of business, total staff reached 180 workers and sales had reached nearly 2.3 million dollars.

In the year 1959 in Springfield, Ohio the next production plant was built. The year 1960 marked Cascade's initial move into the global world of the material handling industry when the company established interest in Australia, the Netherlands and England.

The company changed its name to Cascade Corporation in the year 1964. In the year 1965, Cascade went public with an initial offering of two hundred thousand shares of common stock. The company has expanded its manufacturing facilities throughout the United States with areas in Portland, Oregon, Springfield, Ohio, and Warner Robins, Georgia. Cascade products are manufactured globally due to many subsidiary operations. In 1994, a new facility was completed in Almere, the Netherlands which is Cascade's European command center. This plant is made to be the ultimate customer support centre.

Cascade further expanded their product base in the year 1996 and 1997 after buying 5 companies, which included the Kenhar Corporation, the global leader in forks.