## **Cascade Clamps**

Cascade Clamps - Cascade Manufacturing Company was founded in Portland, Oregon in 1943. They began as a small machine shop in the beginning employing 4 individuals. Product sales for their initial year of operation amounted to about \$60,000. The very first recorded sales revenues involved the assembly and machining of stainless-steel pipe fittings, valves and different components. Through five years of operation, the company had stretched to 40 employees and their yearly sales volume had risen to 330 thousand dollars. Today, Cascade is among the leading global makers within the material handling trade.

Production and design of the company's initial hydraulic cylinder paved the way in Cascade's aggressive quest of better business opportunities. During the past 60 years, the material handling industry has grown into a highly complex field and Cascade has proudly played a part on this improvement. Cascade at the moment continues to develop as the leader supplier of lift truck accessories and different associated items. The company feels certain in their skill to be able to continue to lead the way in the business by understanding customer's needs in the future and remaining competitive in the international market.

In the 1950's, Cascade began designing, making and selling hydraulic accessories. Manufacturing was finished in the year 1956 on a brand new facility so as to accommodate all plant and office operations in Portland, Oregon at the company's present headquarters. Subsequent to 15 years of business, total employees reached a hundred and eighty employees and sales had reached almost \$2,300,000.

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

The company altered its name to Cascade Corporation in 1964. In 1965, Cascade went public with an initial offering of 200,000 shares of common stock. The business has expanded its production plants within the U.S. with places in Springfield, Ohio, Warner Robins, Georgia, Portland, Oregon. Cascade products are fabricated globally thanks to lots of subsidiary operations. In the year 1944, a new facility was accomplished in Almere, the Netherlands which is Cascade's European headquarters. This facility is designed to be the essential customer support centre.

Continuing to develop, Cascade expanded their product offering further in 1996 and the year 1997 with the dramatic acquisition of five firms, including the global best in forks, the Kenhar Corporation.