

## Cascade Clamp

Cascade Clamps - Founded in Portland, Oregon in the year 1943, the Cascade Manufacturing Company began as a small machine shop employing just four people. Total sales for that initial year totaled \$60,000. The very first recorded sales revenues involved the machining and assembly of stainless steel pipe fittings, valves and different parts. Through 5 years of operation, the company had stretched to 40 employees and their annual sales volume had risen to 330 thousand dollars. Now, Cascade is among the top international manufacturers within the material handling trade.

Design and production of the company's very first hydraulic cylinder allowed this young company to aggressively pursue better business possibilities. All through the final sixty years, the industry of material handling has developed into a very sophisticated area with Cascade proudly playing a part in its development. Cascade presently continues to grow as the premier supplier of lift truck attachments and numerous related items. The company feels assured in their potential to be able to continue to lead the way in the business by understanding client's needs in the future and remaining competitive within the international market.

During the nineteen fifties, Cascade started to make, design, and promote its hydraulic accessories. A brand new facility was built in 1956, in order to house all plant offices and operations in Portland, Oregon, which is still the company's present headquarters. Subsequent to 15 years of business, total staff reached 180 employees and sales had reached nearly 2.3 million dollars.

A second production plant was built in the year 1959 in Springfield, Ohio. 1960 marked Cascade's initial transfer into the international world of the material handling industry when the company established interest in England, Australia, and the Netherlands.

In the year 1964, the company altered its name to the Cascade Corporation. After that in 1965, the company went public with an initial offering of 200,000 shares of common stock. Since then the business has expanded its manufacturing services throughout the continental USA to the areas Warner Robins Georgia to go along with its already current plants in Springfield, Ohio and Portland, Oregon. Cascade merchandise are fabricated worldwide because of numerous subsidiary operations. In 1994, a new facility was completed in Almere, the Netherlands which is Cascade's European headquarters. This plant is made to be the essential customer service centre.

Continuing to grow, Cascade expanded their product offering further in the year 1996 and the year 1997 with the impressive acquisition of five firms, along with the worldwide best in blades, the Kenhar Corporation.