## **Cascade Clamp**

Cascade Clamps - Cascade Manufacturing Company was established in Portland, Oregon in the year 1943. They started out as a small machine shop initially hiring 4 people. Sales for their initial year of operation amounted to about \$60,000. The first recorded sales revenues involved the assembly and machining of stainless steel pipe fittings, valves and other components. During 5 years of operation, the business had expanded to 40 workers and their yearly sales volume had increased to \$330,000. Now, Cascade is one of the leading worldwide makers in the material handling business.

Production and design of the company's first hydraulic cylinder paved the way in Cascade's aggressive pursuit of better business opportunities. During the last sixty years, the material handling business has developed into a very advanced field and Cascade has proudly performed a part on this growth. Cascade currently continues to develop as the leader provider of forklift attachments and different associated items. The company feels confident in their skill to continue to lead the way in the business by understanding buyer's requirements in the future and remaining competitive in the world market.

Through the nineteen fifties, Cascade began to fabricate, design, and sell its hydraulic accessories. A brand new facility was constructed in 1956, in order to house all the plant offices and operations in Portland, Oregon, which is still the company's present head office. Subsequent to fifteen years of business, total workers reached one hundred eighty staff and sales had reached practically 2.3 million dollars.

The next production plant was built in the year 1959 in Springfield, Ohio. The year 1960 marked Cascade's initial transfer into the international world of the material handling industry while the business recognized interest in Australia, the Netherlands and England.

In 1964, the business altered its name to the Cascade Corporation. Afterward in the year 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 within the continental US to the areas Warner Robins Georgia to go along with its already present plants in Portland, Oregon and Springfield, Ohio. Cascade products are fabricated globally because of numerous subsidiary operations. In the year 1944, a brand new facility was accomplished in Almere, the Netherlands which is Cascade's European control center. This plant is made to be the ultimate customer service centre.

Cascade further expanded their product base in 1996 and the year 1997 subsequent to buying 5 firms, which included the Kenhar Corporation, the worldwide leader in blades.