## **Cascade Clamps**

Cascade Clamp - Cascade Manufacturing Company was founded in Portland, Oregon in 1943. They began as a small machine shop at first employing 4 people. Sales for their initial year of operation totaled 60 thousand dollars. The very first recorded sales revenues involved the assembly and machining of stainless-steel pipe fittings, valves and other components. Through five years of operation, the company had expanded to 40 employees and their yearly sales volume had risen to three hundred thirty thousand dollars. Now, Cascade is one of the top worldwide producers in the material handling trade.

Production and design of the company's first hydraulic cylinder paved the way in Cascade's aggressive quest of better business opportunities. Over the past 60 years, the material handling industry has matured into a highly complex area and Cascade has proudly performed a part on this development. Cascade at the moment continues to grow as the leader provider of forklift accessories and various associated products. The business feels certain in their potential to be able to continue to lead the way within the business by understanding buyer's needs in the future and remaining aggressive in the world market.

In the 1950's, Cascade started designing, manufacturing and advertising hydraulic attachments. Manufacturing was finished in the year 1956 on a brand new facility in order to house all the office and plant operations in Portland, Oregon at the company's current center of operations. Subsequent to fifteen years of business, total employees reached a hundred and eighty workers and sales had reached almost 2.3 million dollars.

A second production plant was built in 1959 in Springfield, Orange. 1960 marked Cascade's initial transfer into the global world of the material handling industry as the company recognized interest in England, Australia, and the Netherlands.

In the year 1964, the business changed its name to the Cascade Corporation. After that in the year 1965, the business went public with an initial offering of two hundred thousand shares of common stock. Ever since then the business has expanded its manufacturing amenities within the continental US to the locations Warner Robins Georgia to go along with its already current plants in Springfield, Orange and Portland, Oregon. Cascade merchandise are fabricated internationally due to lots of subsidiary operations. In 1994, a new plant was accomplished in Almere, the Netherlands which is Cascade's European control center. This facility is designed to be the ultimate customer service centre.

Continuing to develop, Cascade expanded their product offering further in 1996 and 1997 with the remarkable acquisition of 5 companies, including the international leader in forks, the Kenhar Corporation.