## **Cascade Clamps**

Cascade Clamps - Founded in Portland, Oregon in the year 1943, the Cascade Manufacturing Company started as a small machine store hiring only four people. Total sales for that particular year totaled \$60,000. The first recorded sales revenues involved the machining and assembly of stainless steel pipe fittings, valves and various parts. Within five years of operation, the business had expanded to 40 workers and their yearly sales volume had increased to \$330,000. Now, Cascade is among the top global producers within the material handling business.

Manufacture and design of the company's first hydraulic cylinder paved the way in Cascade's aggressive pursuit of better business possibilities. During the past sixty years, the material handling business has matured into a highly advanced area and Cascade has proudly played a part in this growth. Cascade at present continues to develop as the best supplier of forklift accessories and various related items. The business feels assured in their potential so as to continue to lead the way in the business by understanding customer's requirements in the future and remaining aggressive in the global market.

Through the nineteen fifties, Cascade started to make, design, and advertise its hydraulic accessories. A new facility was constructed in 1956, to accommodate all of the plant offices and operations in Portland, Oregon, which is still the company's present center of operations. Subsequent to 15 years of business, total workers reached a hundred and eighty workers and sales had reached practically \$2,300,000.

In the year 1959 in Springfield, Arlington a second production facility was built. The year 1960 marked Cascade's initial move into the global world of the material handling industry as the company established interest in Australia, the Netherlands and England.

The company altered its name to Cascade Corporation in 1964. In the year 1965, Cascade went public with a preliminary offering of two hundred thousand shares of common stock. The company has expanded its manufacturing plants within the U.S. with locations in Springfield, Arlington, Warner Robins, Georgia, Portland, Oregon. Cascade products are fabricated internationally due to many subsidiary operations. In the year 1944, a new plant was accomplished in Almere, the Netherlands which is Cascade's European head office. This facility is built to be the ultimate customer service centre.

Cascade further expanded their product base in 1996 and the year 1997 after acquiring five companies, which included the Kenhar Corporation, the worldwide best in forks.