## **Cascade Clamps**

Cascade Clamp - Founded in Portland, Oregon in 1943, the Cascade Manufacturing Company started as a small machine store employing only four individuals. Total sales for that particular year totaled sixty thousand dollars. The very first recorded sales revenues involved the machining and assembly of stainless steel pipe fittings, valves and various parts. Throughout five years of operation, the company had stretched to forty staff and their yearly sales volume had increased to \$330,000. At present, Cascade is amongst the top worldwide manufacturers in the material handling business.

Design and production of the company's very first hydraulic cylinder allowed this new company to aggressively engage in new business opportunities. All through the last 60 years, the business of material handling has developed into a very complex area with Cascade proudly playing a part in its development. Cascade at present continues to grow as the leader provider of lift truck attachments and numerous associated products. The business feels assured in their capability to be able to continue to lead the way within the business by understanding client's requirements in the future and remaining aggressive within the global market.

During the 1950's, Cascade began to make, design, and advertise its hydraulic accessories. A brand new facility was made in the year 1956, so as to house all of the plant offices and operations in Portland, Oregon, which is still the company's present head office. Subsequent to 15 years of business, total staff reached 180 employees and sales had reached practically \$2,300,000.

The next production plant was built in 1959 in Springfield, Thousand Oaks. The year 1960 marked Cascade's initial move into the global world of the material handling industry when the company established interest in Australia, the Netherlands and England.

In the year 1964, the company altered its name to the Cascade Corporation. Then 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 services within the continental USA to the places Warner Robins Georgia to go along with its already present plants in Portland, Oregon and Springfield, Thousand Oaks. Cascade products are manufactured worldwide because of numerous subsidiary operations. In 1994, a new plant was accomplished in Almere, the Netherlands which is Cascade's European headquarters. This plant is made to be the essential customer service centre.

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