## **Cascade Clamps**

Cascade Clamp - Cascade Manufacturing Company was established in Portland, Oregon in 1943. They started out as a small machine shop initially hiring four people. Product 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 valves, pipe fittings and other components. During five years of operation, the business had stretched to forty employees and their yearly sales volume had increased to three hundred thirty thousand dollars. These days, Cascade is among the top international manufacturers within the material handling business.

Design and manufacturing of the company's original hydraulic cylinder allowed this new company to aggressively pursue better business possibilities. All through the final 60 years, the business of material handling has grown into a very sophisticated field with Cascade proudly playing a part in its progress. Cascade presently continues to grow as the premier supplier of forklift attachments and different associated items. The company feels confident in their skill so as to continue to lead the way in the business by understanding client's needs in the future and remaining competitive in the international market.

All through the 1950's, Cascade started to make, design, and advertise its hydraulic accessories. A brand new facility was constructed in the year 1956, so as to accommodate all of the plant offices and operations in Portland, Oregon, which continues to be the company's current head office. Following 15 years of business, total staff reached a hundred and eighty staff and sales had reached almost two million three hundred thousand dollars.

A second production plant was built in 1959 in Springfield, Santa Ana. 1960 marked Cascade's preliminary move into the international world of the material handling industry when the business recognized interest in Australia, the Netherlands and England.

The business changed 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 business has expanded its production facilities within the United States with areas in Springfield, Santa Ana, Warner Robins, Georgia, Portland, Oregon. Cascade products are made internationally because of lots of subsidiary operations. In 1994, a new plant was completed in Almere, the Netherlands which is Cascade's European control center. This facility is designed to be the essential customer support centre.

Continuing to grow, Cascade expanded their product offering further in the year 1996 and 1997 with the dramatic acquisition of 5 corporations, along with the global best in forks, the Kenhar Corporation.