## **Cascade Clamp**

Cascade Clamps - Cascade Manufacturing Company was founded in Portland, Oregon in 1943. They started out as a small machine shop at first employing 4 people. Product sales for their initial year of operation amounted to about 60 thousand dollars. The very first recorded sales revenues involved the assembly and machining of stainless-steel pipe fittings, valves and other parts. Throughout 5 years of operation, the business had stretched to 40 staff and their annual sales volume had risen to \$330,000. Now, Cascade is amongst the leading global producers in the material handling industry.

Manufacture and design of the company's original hydraulic cylinder paved the way in Cascade's aggressive quest of better business opportunities. Over the last 60 years, the material handling industry has developed into a highly sophisticated field and Cascade has proudly performed a part in this progress. Cascade at the moment continues to grow as the best supplier of forklift accessories and different associated items. The company feels confident in their ability so as to continue to lead the way in the business by understanding client's requirements in the future and remaining competitive within the international market.

In the 1950's, Cascade started designing, making and advertising hydraulic accessories. Manufacturing was completed in 1956 on a new facility so as to house all the office and plant operations in Portland, Oregon at the company's present headquarters. Following fifteen years of business, total employees reached 180 workers and sales had reached nearly 2.3 million dollars.

A second manufacturing plant was built in the year 1959 in Springfield, Wichita Falls. The year 1960 marked Cascade's preliminary transfer into the global world of the material handling industry as the business recognized interest in the Netherlands, England, and Australia.

In 1964, the company altered its name to the Cascade Corporation. Afterward in the year 1965, the company went public with a preliminary offering of 200,000 shares of common stock. Ever since then the company has expanded its manufacturing amenities within the continental USA to the areas Warner Robins Georgia to go along with its already existing plants in Portland, Oregon and Springfield, Wichita Falls. Cascade merchandise are made worldwide due to many subsidiary operations. In 1994, a brand new facility was accomplished in Almere, the Netherlands which is Cascade's European head office. This plant is designed to be the essential customer support centre.

Cascade further expanded their product base in the year 1996 and the year 1997 subsequent to acquiring 5 corporations, which included the Kenhar Corporation, the global leader in blades.