

## Cascade Attachment

Cascade Attachments - Cascade Manufacturing Company was founded in Portland, Oregon in 1943. They started out as a small machine shop in the beginning hiring four people. Sales for their first year of operation totaled sixty thousand dollars. The very first recorded sales revenues involved the assembly and machining of stainless steel valves, pipe fittings and different parts. Throughout 5 years of operation, the company had expanded to forty staff and their annual sales volume had increased to three hundred thirty thousand dollars. These days, Cascade is among the leading worldwide manufacturers within the material handling business.

Design and production of the company's original hydraulic cylinder allowed this young business to aggressively engage in new business opportunities. All through the final sixty years, the industry of material handling has developed into a very advanced field with Cascade proudly playing a part in its growth. Cascade presently continues to develop as the best supplier of lift truck accessories and various related items. The business feels certain in their capability to continue to lead the way in the business by understanding buyer's requirements in the future and remaining aggressive within the world market.

In the nineteen fifties, Cascade began designing, manufacturing and selling hydraulic accessories. Construction was finished in 1956 on a brand new facility in order to house all the office and plant operations in Portland, Oregon at the company's present center of operations. After 15 years of business, total staff reached one hundred eighty employees and sales had reached practically \$2,300,000.

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

The business altered its name to Cascade Corporation in 1964. In the year 1965, Cascade went public with an initial offering of 200,000 shares of common stock. The company has expanded its manufacturing plants within the United States with areas in Springfield, Ohio, Warner Robins, Georgia, Portland, Oregon. Cascade merchandise are fabricated internationally due to many subsidiary operations. In the year 1944, a brand new plant was completed in Almere, the Netherlands which is Cascade's European headquarters. This facility is made to be the ultimate customer support centre.

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