## **Cascade Attachment**

Cascade Attachments - Founded in Portland, Oregon in the year 1943, the Cascade Manufacturing Company began as a small machine store employing only four people. Overall sales for that year amounted to about \$60,000. The very first recorded sales revenues involved the assembly and machining of stainless steel pipe fittings, valves and other components. Through 5 years of operation, the business had stretched to forty employees and their yearly sales volume had risen to three hundred thirty thousand dollars. These days, Cascade is amongst the top worldwide manufacturers within the material handling business.

Production and design of the company's original hydraulic cylinder paved the way in Cascade's aggressive pursuit of new business possibilities. During the past 60 years, the material handling trade has developed into a very advanced area and Cascade has proudly performed a part on this improvement. Cascade at present continues to develop as the leader provider of forklift accessories and numerous related products. The business feels confident in their capability in order to continue to lead the way within the business by understanding client's requirements in the future and remaining aggressive in the international market.

In the nineteen fifties, Cascade started designing, manufacturing and selling hydraulic attachments. Construction was finished in 1956 on a brand new office so as to house all the office and plant operations in Portland, Oregon at the company's present center of operations. Following fifteen years of business, total workers reached a hundred and eighty employees and sales had reached practically \$2,300,000.

1959 in Springfield, Tacoma a second production facility was built. nineteen sixty marked Cascade's preliminary transfer into the international world of the material handling industry when the company recognized interest in England, Australia, and the Netherlands.

The business changed its name to Cascade Corporation in 1964. In the year 1965, Cascade went public with an initial offering of two hundred thousand shares of common stock. The company has expanded its manufacturing facilities within the U.S. with areas in Portland, Oregon, Springfield, Tacoma, and Warner Robins, Georgia. Cascade products are manufactured internationally because of lots of subsidiary operations. In 1994, a new plant was completed in Almere, the Netherlands which is Cascade's European head office. This facility is made to be the essential customer service centre.

Continuing to grow, Cascade expanded their product offering further in 1996 and the year 1997 with the dramatic acquisition of 5 companies, together with the worldwide best in blades, the Kenhar Corporation.