

Hesston Corporation brochure

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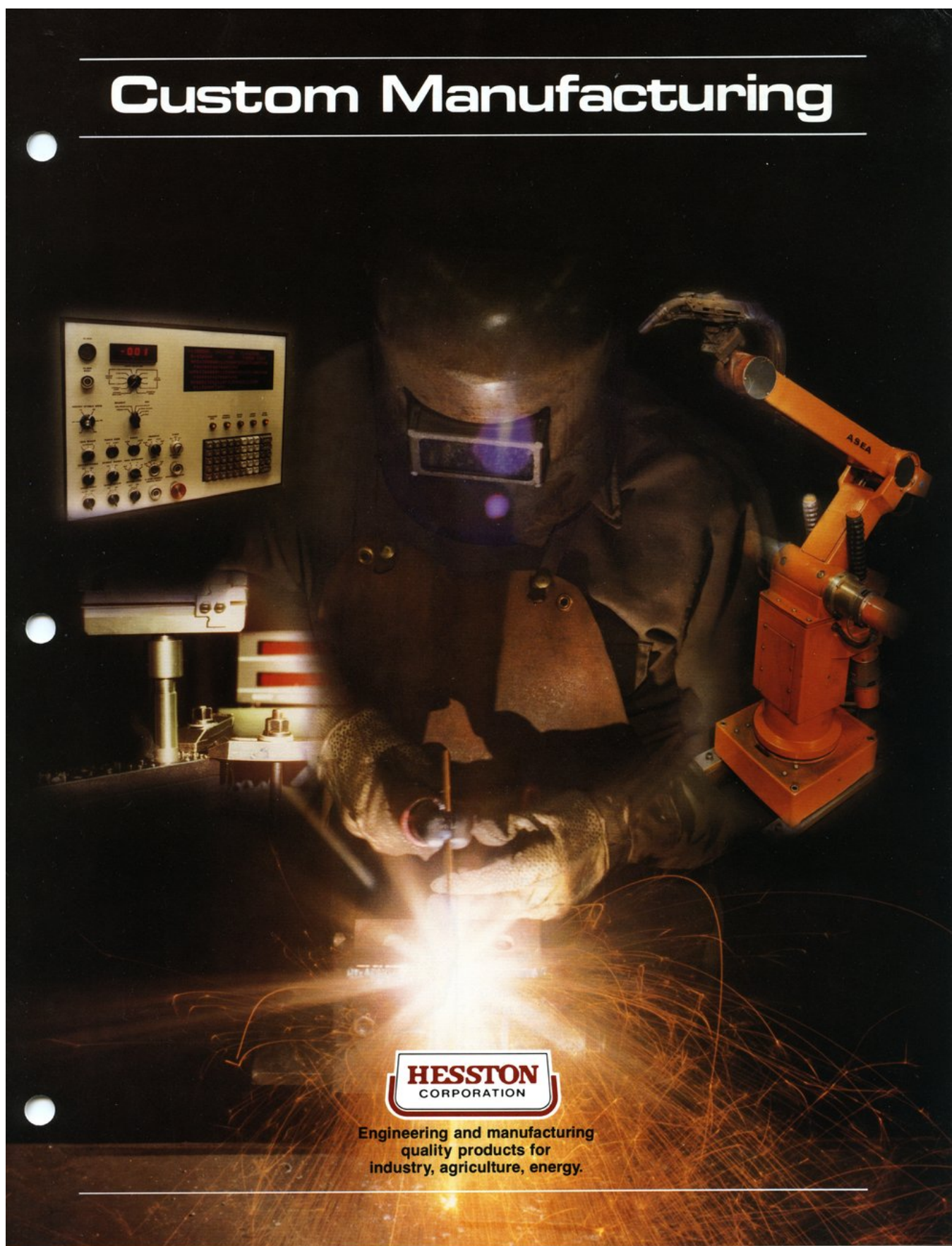
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Custom Manufacturing



Engineering and manufacturing
quality products for
industry, agriculture, energy.

The capabilities are unlimited.



Halfway to everywhere.

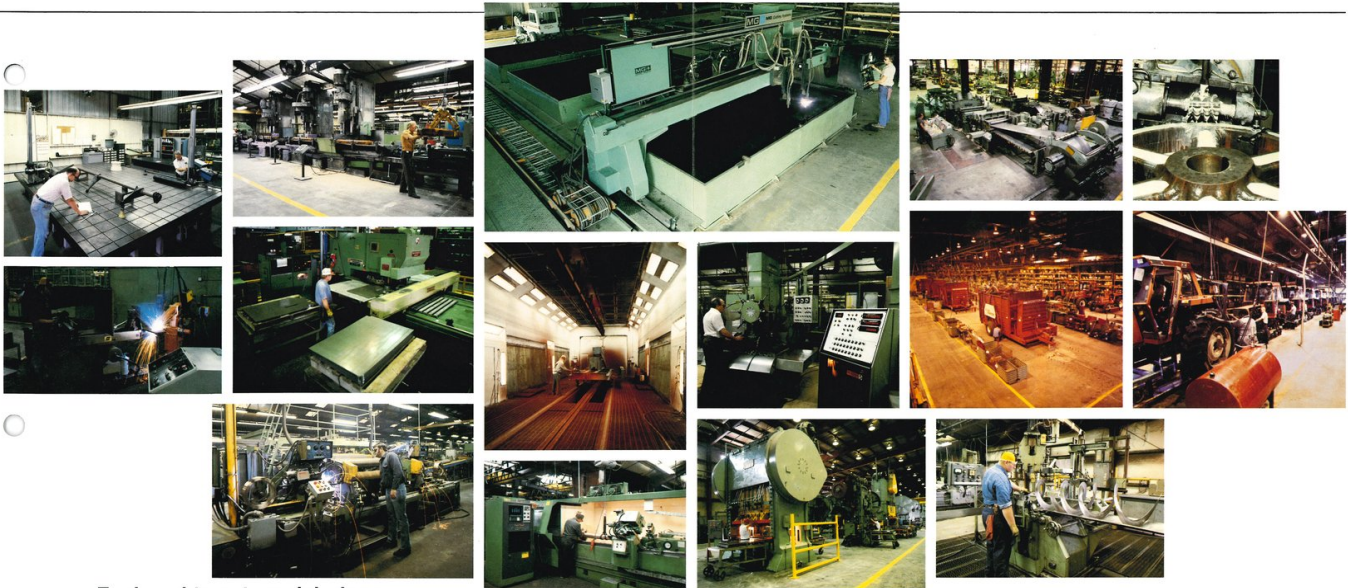
Being located in the center of the U.S.A. gives Hesston several advantages. The most obvious is that the shipping time and cost of finished products can be minimized.

Of course, it works the other way too. Raw materials transportation costs can be lowered by a factory (like Hesston) that is centrally located.

And, perhaps best of all, Hesston has developed a strong bond of friendship and mutual respect with its midwest labor force. Our employees are not strangers to hard work. Most have farming backgrounds where the tradition of a solid day's work for a day's pay goes back more than a century. When the chips are down, we know we can count on them.



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Equipped to get any job done.

Any worker will tell you that having the right tools to do a job is important. Hesston has always taken this philosophy a step farther. We do more than keep the "right" tools for our work. We continually search for improved tools that will get a job done better, faster and more cost effectively. Sometimes this has meant designing and building our own equipment. Sometimes it has meant purchasing the latest in computer-controlled machinery. And, sometimes it has meant ignoring a fad and opting to keep tried and true (and cost efficient) machinery on our line.

A tour through our factory reveals an array of equipment that ranges from standard-of-the-industry presses, milling machines and lathes to robots, and a unique automated welder that welds inside tubular rollers. Our giant computer-controlled plasma arc torch can cut the finest shapes out of steel, and our decollers cut costs by letting us buy steel in bulk coils.

Some factories boast that they have their own rail dock. The Hesston factory has rail and truck facilities that are under roof, so loading is done indoors. We have forklifts big enough to lift our largest oil pumping unit.

Of course, everything Hesston builds isn't big, but it is high quality. We've custom built lawn mowers, gearboxes, even wood-burning stoves. The Hesston factory has an environment in which our employees can do their best to build first-rate products. And, all of these facilities are available for custom manufacturing.

Engineering Services

Quality manufacturing begins with creative engineering. Hesston design/engineering personnel are available to help develop your ideas from original concept to final design which includes the preparation of drawings and specifications for manufacture of the end product.

Design and manufacturing engineering staff members work cooperatively to provide a quality, marketable product

manufactured at a competitive price. The engineering functions are supported by computer based systems to provide fast and effective customer service.

Computer Aided Manufacturing

A comprehensive computer-based management information system helps Hesston provide effective customer service. The system includes on-line order entry, material requirements planning, production scheduling, shop floor data collection, and finished goods inventory.

Fabrication

The fabrication process begins with the design and building of cost-effective tooling. Hesston is capable of providing efficient tooling for most types of sheet metal fabrication, machining, welding and assembly operations, plus casting patterns.

Our metal working equipment provides the flexibility of using coiled, sheet and plate stock. Hesston press

and shear equipment offers a wide range of capability, including conventional and numerical controlled machining applications.

Machining

The machining process utilizes manual, semi-automatic, automatic and numerical controlled machines. Hesston's array of equipment offers a wide range of machining applications, including turning, boring, milling, drilling, hobbing and grinding, using conventional and specialized tooling applications.

Assembly & Paint

Hesston has the facilities, equipment and experience to provide widely diversified assembly and testing in accordance with your product specifications. Finishing systems include conveyerized spraying as well as massive spray booths big enough to hold a rail car.

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A solid corporation for over 35 years.

Hesston Corporation is a solid company that was established in 1947. Today the factory has more than a million square feet of floor space and a skilled work force that includes talented managers, designers and engineers, as well as machinists.

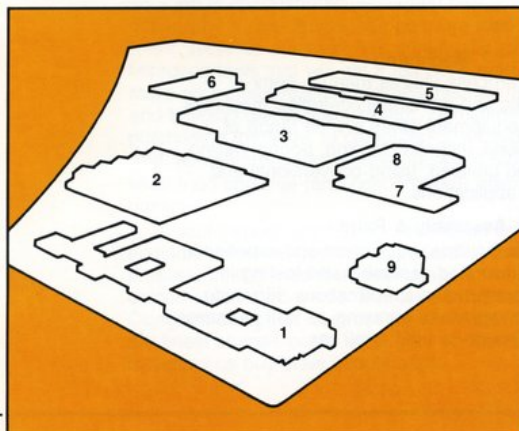
Hesston got where it is today by doing more than designing innovative new products. The company also came up with innovative ways to manufacture those products. Hesston services in all these areas are available through custom manufacturing arrangements.

Hesston can assist in designing and engineering, and it has the capability to build components or complete products. What's more, Hesston clients can count on innovative manufacturing techniques to cut costs and turnaround time.

Custom-manufactured products benefit from the same exhausting quality control measures that have made Hesston-built equipment known for its strength and durability. "If it's in our factory, we treat it like it's in our family."



Built for efficiency.



- 1 - Corporate Offices
- 2 - Plant 1 - Machine Shop
- 3 - Plant 2 - Fabrication Shop
- 4 - Plant 3 - Assembly Plant and Paint Booth
- 5 - Plant 4 - Assembly Plant
- 6 - Shipping & Service Parts
- 7 - Engineering & Manufacturing Offices
- 8 - Tooling
- 9 - Communication Center — Auditorium & Classrooms

Hesston, helping others make great products.



Just because a piece of equipment is wearing another name doesn't mean that Hesston was not involved. Hesston is proud of the fact that it has had a hand in building fine machinery and other products for other companies. Our list of satisfied custom-manufacturing clients is a long one and so is our list of different products.

Here are some of the products we have manufactured for other companies.

Agriculture

- Mowers
- Backhoes
- Gearboxes
- Snow Throwers
- Sugarbeet Harvesters
- Potato Harvesters
- Straw Choppers
- Augers
- S.P. Windrowers
- Mower-Conditioners
- Row Harvesters
- Tractor-Mounted Blades
- Tree Shakers

Industrial

- Mowers
- Gearboxes
- Tillers
- Backhoes
- Incinerators
- Stationary Compactors
- Mobile Compactors
- Stump Cutters

Energy

- Oil Pumping Units
- Wood-Burning Stoves
- Drilling Rig Drawworks

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