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Summer 2009

Imperial Crane Services Celebrates 40th Anniversary



Larry Gedmin operating Imperial's first crane, a 15 ton Grove, in 1969. Larry currently runs the Griffith, Indiana location.



235 ton Liebherr works in tandem with 350 ton Sany crawler at CITGO refinery project.

In 1969 Imperial Crane Services started with a single crane, owned and operated by the late John Bohne. Today his sons B.J., Lance and Jonathan Bohne are proud to run what has become the largest locally owned full service crane company in the Midwest.

Sticking to our roots, Imperial catered to daily construction while expanding into refinery work in 1979. Long term partnerships with CITGO Petroleum and BP Products North America have helped to build and diversify our fleet, currently at over 220 cranes. Our relationships with the international corporations and plants have positioned us to maintain one of the highest safety and service standards in the Midwest for heavy equipment work.

In 1995 Imperial Crane Sales, a division of Imperial Crane Services was created. As we continued growing and a second location was needed, Imperial expanded into Northwest Indiana. Today our Griffith, Indiana location allows customers accessibility to the local market, saving both time and money.

The one time single crane business has more than doubled in the last four years alone and is dealers in Tadano, Stros, Barko, and the new line of Sany Crawler Cranes ranging from 50 to 1000 ton cranes. We also have a wide variety of Grove, Liebherr, Manitowoc, Link-Belt and Terex cranes available for rental and sale.

"Our commitment to safety and service has been the key to Imperial's success. On behalf of Imperial Crane and the Bohne family I would like to thank the industry for your years of loyal support."
B.J. Bohne, C.E.O.

OPEN HOUSE

In celebration of our history and future Imperial is having an open house from 12 p.m. – 7 p.m., Friday, September 11th at our Bridgeview location. Along with food and entertainment their new Sany Crawler cranes will be demonstrated on site.



355 ton Sany setting 93,000 lb. fin fan for CITGO'S ULSD project.

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Imperial – Midwest Distributor of Sany Crawler Cranes

Chinese heavy construction maker, Sany Heavy Industry Co. Ltd. has been recognized as the top 10 largest equipment manufacturers in the world. Attaining a great deal of success in the Asian markets they received the Forbes "Top Enterprise of China Award" as well as the most competitive brand in all of China.

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partnered with Sany America as the Midwest distributor of crawler cranes. Sany America, the North American division of Sany Heavy Industry, is building a new production facility in Peachtree City, Georgia.

Imperial has been pleased with the crane's performance, available for both purchase and rent. Richard Bohne, Senior Project Manager has experienced first hand the quality and reliability of

the equipment. "The Sany cranes have been a great addition to our fleet. The first Sany has been working at CITGO Petroleum for two months and has been problem free. CITGO has been pleased with its performance on the numerous vessels, steel modules and fin fans."



Imperial Crane Safety Update

**TALK
SAFETY
LIVE
SAFETY**

Imperial Crane is proud of our safety staff, seven full time professionals. We have recently completed 18 months, 600,000 man hours without an OSHA recordable or lost time accident.



Second Part of Tadano Package Arrives

Twenty nine new Tadano rough terrain cranes are scheduled to be received in 2009 as part of a 70 crane package bought over the last two years. As a dealer in Tadano, the cranes will be available for both sale and rental, many being used in our refinery projects.



RECENT PROJECTS



Successful Tandem Lift for CITGO Refinery

Using both a 500-ton Liebherr, and a 550-ton Grove all-terrain crane, Imperial effectively lifted a 102-ton reactor from a barge. The two cranes picked up the vessel simultaneously, the 500-ton Liebherr swung toward the 550-ton Grove, putting the reactor into position.

As part of the Ultra-Low Sulfur Diesel (ULSD) project, we will lift and transfer six total vessels. The project will be used to meet new EPA standards for sulfur content in refineries. Imperial is scheduled to use their new 350-ton Sany and 230-ton Link-Belt crawler cranes with the larger reactors.



Construction of New State of the Art Hydrogen Plant

Imperial Crane is coordinating efforts with Linde Gas North America to assemble a plant supplying hydrogen to the adjacent CITGO refinery. The major components, arriving on site each day, are being lifted by Imperial's 300-ton Link-Belt and five of their new Link-Belt RT cranes.

Since March Imperial has been in the process of hoisting all components of production, including plant storage vessels and pipe modules. The cranes are working simultaneously with pipefitters, boilermakers and ironworkers to complete the project. Once finished, the plant will be used to aid in the production of alternative fuel sources.



Imperial Installs Wind Turbine

Imperial installed a 120-foot wind turbine this spring for Aldridge Electric Inc. Imperial's new 110-ton Liebherr picked and set sections of the base, generator and three wind blades. The size of the turbine and precision needed to protect the blades made for a difficult but successful pick.

While we have continued to grow and diversify, Imperial has begun to get into a variety of "green energy" markets. Currently, wind energy has been a strong focus over the last couple of years due to a long term commitment worldwide to this form of power generation.





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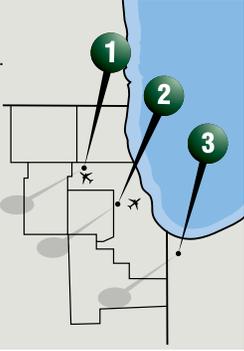
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Open House



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