

Dean Somerville, the founder of Posi Lock, was operating a machinery repair shop and a farming operation in the small North Dakota town of McHenry. With his inventive spirit and mechanical background, Dean saw the need for a selfaligning, universal puller that could remove gears and bearings safely and quickly. His new puller design included a Safety Cage® that would control the opening and closing of the pulling jaws, as well as provide the tool with clamping pressure. The new caged puller was patented in 1977 and given the name "Posi Lock® Puller", for its unparalleled clamping design.



The Posi Lock puller was immediately recognized as a significant advance in the gear and bearing puller industry, paving the way for future success. In 1978, Dean Somerville established Posi Lock Puller, Inc. to begin production in earnest.



Posi Lock lands in Canada with its first international sale.



Posi Lock's original facility in McHenry, North Dakota is destroyed by fire.



Posi Lock begins anew at its current Cooperstown, North Dakota facility, which received expansions in 1990 and 1998.







Posi Lock's hydraulic division meets a significant milestone with the production of a 100-ton puller.



Dean Somerville wins the Greater North Dakota Association Business & Industrial Development Award, and Governor Ed Shafer names him to the North Dakota Rural Development Council.



Tamara Somerville, Dean's daughter, returns from Florida to join the family business and drive Posi Lock's global expansion.



Dean Somerville attends the White House Conference on Small Business.



Posi Lock Manufacturing, Inc., Posi Lock's precision machining division, achieves ISO 9002 certification.



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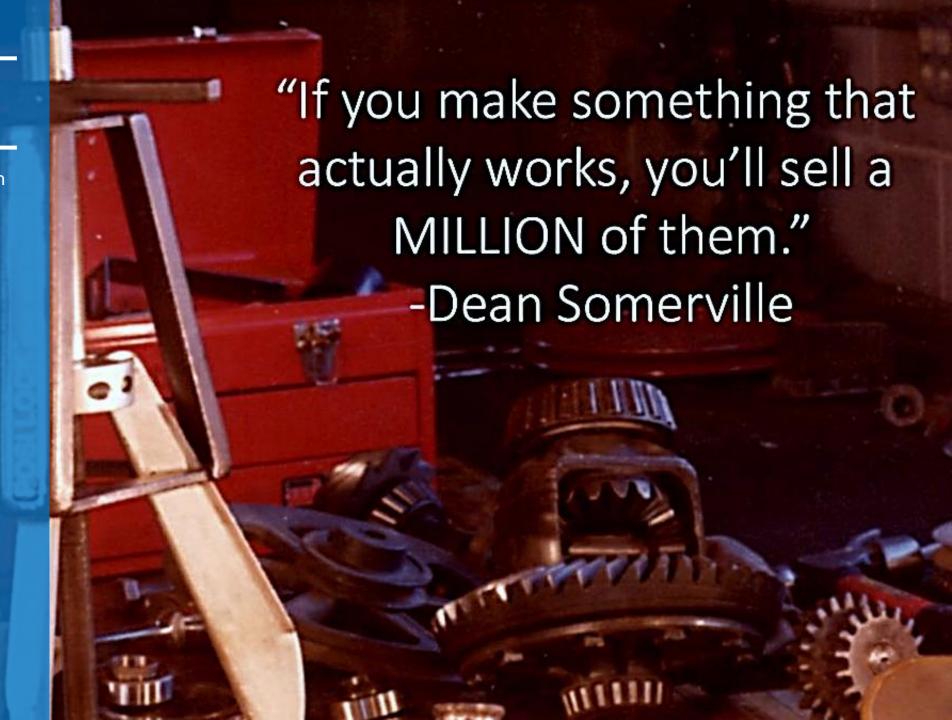
Posi Lock becomes the first company in North Dakota to receive the Export Achievement Award from the US Department of Commerce.



Posi Lock celebrates its 25th anniversary with a commemorative American flag puller.



Posi Lock sells its one millionth puller.





North Dakota SBA Small Business Exporter of the Year Award



2014

Prairie Business Magazine Top 25 Businesses to Work For



2016

North Dakota Exporter of the Year Award





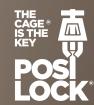
Tamara Somerville is named one of Prairie Business Magazine's Top 25 Women in Business.



# 2016

The Manufacturing Institute recognizes Tamara Somerville as one of the Top 100 Women in Manufacturing across the USA.





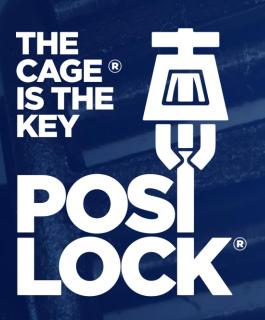
Posi Lock opens a European Warehouse & Showroom in Brussels.







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1978
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