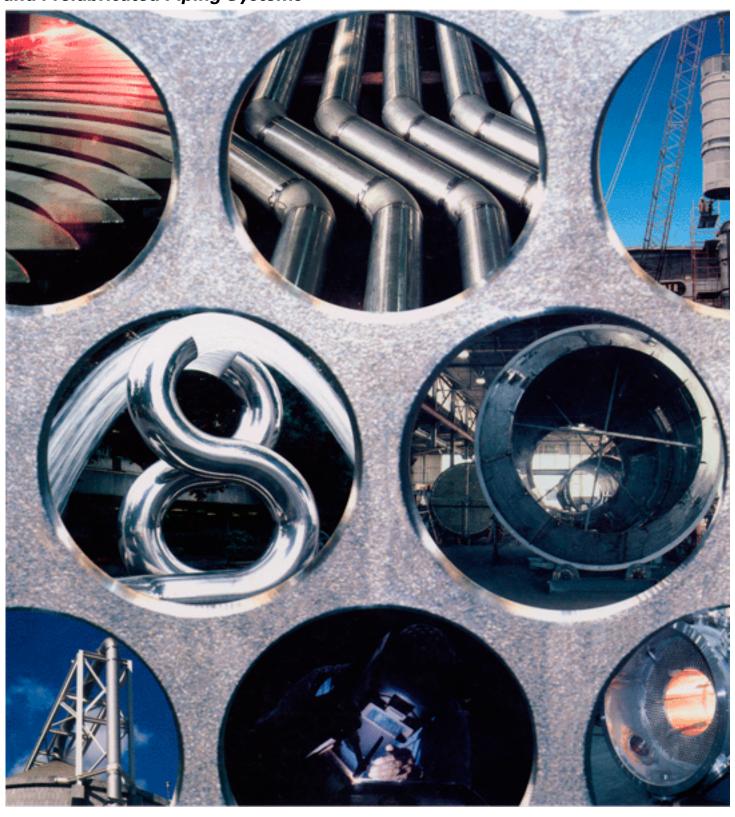
## Fabrication Division

Corrosion Resistant Alloy Heat Exchangers, Pressure Vessels, Tanks, Columns, Special Fabrications and Prefabricated Piping Systems

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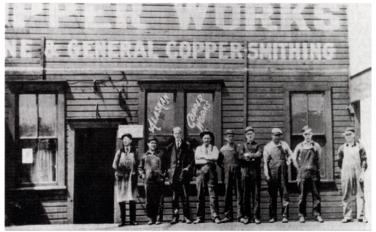
## History

hen Alaskan Copper Works was founded as a marine coppersmithing company in 1913, its major activities were forming and brazing piping, kettles, coils and other products made from copper, brass and bronze, primarily for the Pacific Northwest shipbuilding industry.

Beginning in the 1920's, many of the area's growing process industries, such as pulp and paper, which had relied on wood stave and cast iron as corrosion resistant materials for their tanks and piping, welcomed the development of a new weldable alloy, silicon bronze. This alloy had special advantages in cost and corrosion resistance. Alaskan Copper Works participated in the transition to this innovative metal and in the development of the welding techniques necessary for its proper fabrication.

Superior corrosion resistant alloys became available to the pulp and paper industry with the development of austenitic stainless steels in the 1930s. Alaskan Copper Works also participated in the application of this new material and in the development of related welding and fabricating techniques. Other process industries, such as petrochemical and food processing, also made use of these new alloys and of our experiance in their fabrication.

Today, the Fabrication Division of Alaskan Copper Works is one of the nation's most experienced organizations devoted exclusively to the fabrication of stainless steel, high nickel alloys, duplex stainless alloys, copper-nickel alloys, aluminum, titanium, zirconium, copper and other weldable corrosion resistant alloys.



Alaskan Copper Works yesterday



Alaskan Copper Works today.

## **Industries Served**

Unique and strict requirements exist within every industry. For years, the pulp and paper, marine, chemical, petrochemical, food processing, beverage, wastewater treatment and other industries have relied on Alaskan Copper Works for fabrication experience and technical knowledge. Alaskan Copper Works strives continually to expand its ability to be a valuable resource for industries that require the use of modern corrosion resistant alloys.

Extensive experience in engineering and producing complex fabrications and prefabricated piping systems has helped Alaskan Copper Works build and maintain a strong reputation for capabilty, quality and dependability.



24" diameter stainless steel pipe used in the pulp and paper industry to load pulp into a bleached pulp stock chest.



Skid-mounted formaldehyde production plant for the chemical industry completely assembled within our fabrication facility.



Tank shell for the food processing industry made into one continuous piece using automatic splice welding prior to rolling.



Vapor recompression evaporator sump used in the wastewater treatment industry.



Stainless steel multi-tray column used in the chemical industry.



Extractor tower, 90" diameter x 1/2" wall x 83 ft. high with prefit platforms, fabricated from Type 304 stainless steel for the petrochemical industry.

## Facilities and Equipment

The Fabrication Division of Alaskan Copper Works consists of over 250,000 square feet of plant space dedicated to meeting the needs of our customers for properly fabricated corrosion resistant metal products.

Economic and efficient methods for producing complicated products are found within our modern facilities. Well-maintained and updated fabrication equipment, coupled with an experienced work force and a complete in-house quality control staff, allow Alaskan Copper Works to provide high-quality corrosion resistant fabricated products.

Our special production services, which include coil cut-to-length processing, computer controlled plasma cutting, precision sawing and sheet and plate splice welding, provide customers with consistent cost savings.



1/2" stainless steel and 3/4" aluminum can be processed in up to 20 ft. lengths on the shear shown above. Other in-house shears can process material up to 1" thick.



Splice welding using automatic double-sided gas tungsten-arc welding.



Shell manufacturing capabilities include a 20 ft. long press brake.



Shell rolling operation can fabricate shells up to 20 ft. diameter and 1/2" thick.



Our cut-to-length facility allows efficient use of sheet and plate material for fabrication without excess welding.



Computerized automatic plasma cutting creates multiple parts and complex shapes up to 3" thick and as large as 96" x 240".



Circumferential seam welding of a large pressure vessel using a submerged-arc welding manipulator and turning rolls.



 $70 \, \text{ft.}$  wide clear span plate fabrication facility served by overhead cranes totaling  $30 \, \text{tons}$  of lifting capacity.





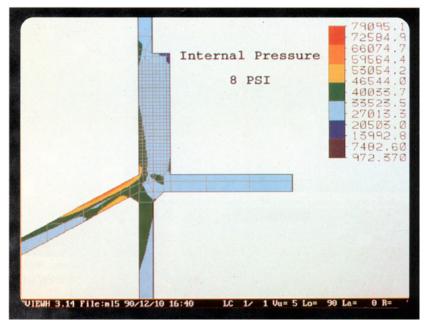
## Engineering

The engineering department of the Fabrication Division concentrates its efforts in three areas: the design of pressure vessels, thermal and mechanical design of shell-and-tube heat exchangers and refinement of customer-supplied designs for more practical and economic fabrication.

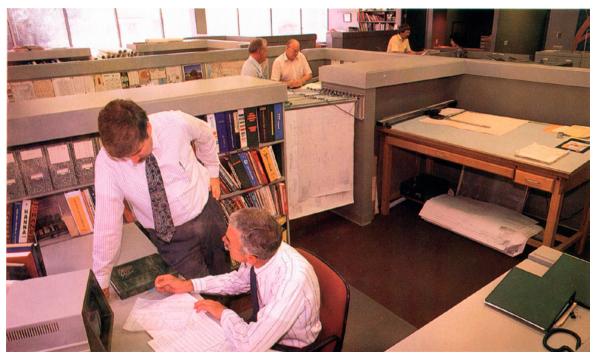
Most pressure vessels and heat exchangers are designed using ASME Code and TEMA rules where applicable. Using finite element analysis, we are also prepared to calculate stresses occuring in pressure vessel and heat exchanger structural details that do not match standard configurations covered by these rules.

The price-to-performance ratio for heat exchangers can be optimized using customer-supplied process conditions and our up-to-date heat transfer and pressure drop correlations.

Through its development of custom computer software, Alaskan Copper Works is efficiently able to draw upon years of experience to enhance the quality and cost effectiveness of its fabrication processes.



A portion of a pressure vessel with its stress pattern displayed by a finite element analysis. This method can calculate stresses for design details not covered by ASME Code or TEMA rules.



An experienced engineering staff is available to control design details of alloy fabrications made to demanding specifications.

A sample display of the output screen of a computer program designed specifically to calculate tubesheet layouts for single and multipass designs. PF85.0 0.2819 0.0945 0.2227 0.2879 0.2879 18 0.2227 0.0945 0.5218 PT85.0 0.0000 - 0.0000

Shop detail drawings are prepared for nearly all fabrications.

Close coordination between engineering and production ensures a quality finished product.

## Heat Exchangers

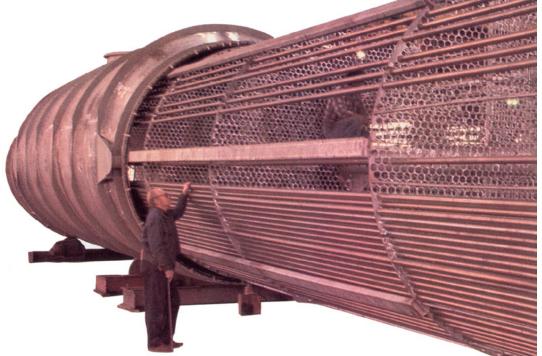




Heat exchanger partially loaded with tubes.







12 ft. diameter titanium tube bundle and baffle assembly before insertion in a stainless steel shell.



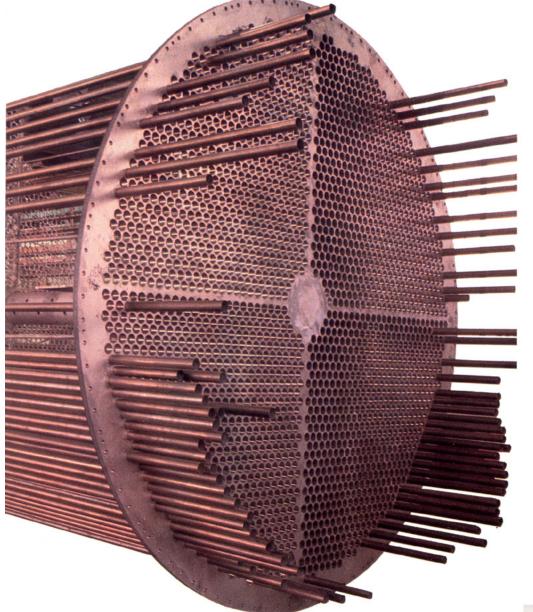
Nickel 200 8-pass, 4-shell heat exchanger.



2-pass, 2-shell heat exchanger.



Hinged channel cover of a multipass heat exchanger which can be manually opened.



Alaskan Copper Works for over 50 years has been a designer and fabricator of shell-and-tube type heat exchangers. Using customer-supplied process conditions and specifications, we configure heat exchangers to provide a balance between the most cost-efficient preformance and initial cost of construction.

While Alaskan Copper Works specializes in designing and fabricating corrosion resistant heat exchangers, nearly all complete units include some carbon steel for external stiffening, supports or other miscellaneous requirements.

Repair service for heat exchangers is also available within our fabrication facilities. Our hydraulic tube-pulling equipment and extensive stock of alloy materials allow prompt refurbishing and return to service of heat exchangers in need of repair. Renewal of shells, retubing and nozzle repair can be a preferable alternative to the purchase of a new unit.



Stainless steel and titanium heat exchanger.



Heating element of a vapor recompression evaporator being carefully prepared for special shipment.

## Pressure Vessels, Tanks, Columns and Special Fabrications

Pressue containing vessels, including those subject to vacuum, are designed and fabricated to meet ASME Code requirements. Our fabrication capabilities are complemented by over 200 ASME qualified welding procedures which enable us to fabricate nearly all corrosion resistant alloys into Code products.

Our experience assures proper welding and fabrication techniques that maintain the full corrosion resisting performance of the alloys used.



Aluminim hydraulic tanks used in hydrofoil boats.



Stainless steel concentrator vapor head, over 11 ft. in diameter.



Stainless steel primary slurry tank used for producing plastics.



Stainless steel vacuum chamber used for free-electron laser experimentation.



Stainless steel nitration system.



Aluminum wet pump pressure vessel used to transfer fish from a ship's hold to the dock.



Stainless steel screw conveyors used for food processing.



Coper-nickel pipe used in of-shore sulfur mining as a seawater supply line and pump shaft support.

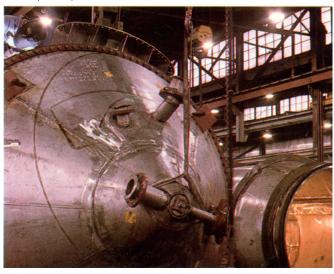


Special stainless steel vessel.



Type 321 stainless steel natural gas-fired autoclave heat exchanger.





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## **Prefabricated Piping Systems**

Alaskan Copper Works throughout its history has manufactured pipe, fittings and flanges and prefabricated them into "spools" suitable for field assembly.

Today, along with its subsidiary, Stainless Piping Systems, Inc., the Fabrication Division provides an integrated program for supplying prefabricated piping in all corrosion resistant alloys. Beginning with the creation of spool sketches from customer-provided drawings, the many stages of piping prefabrication are efficiently managed to provide clearly identified pipe spools, properly protected for damage-free shipping.

Our project coordinators and experienced drafting staff determine a combination of fitting type and field weld placement to reduce field welding, thus shortening installation time as well as reducing overall cost.

The Fabrication Division also has the capability to provide pipe bending in most sizes, wall thicknesses and centerline radii. All bends are produced wrinkle-free without the use of heat which can be harmful to the service performance of many corrosion resistant alloys.



Cotton-test finish on a section of a paper mill headbox piping system.



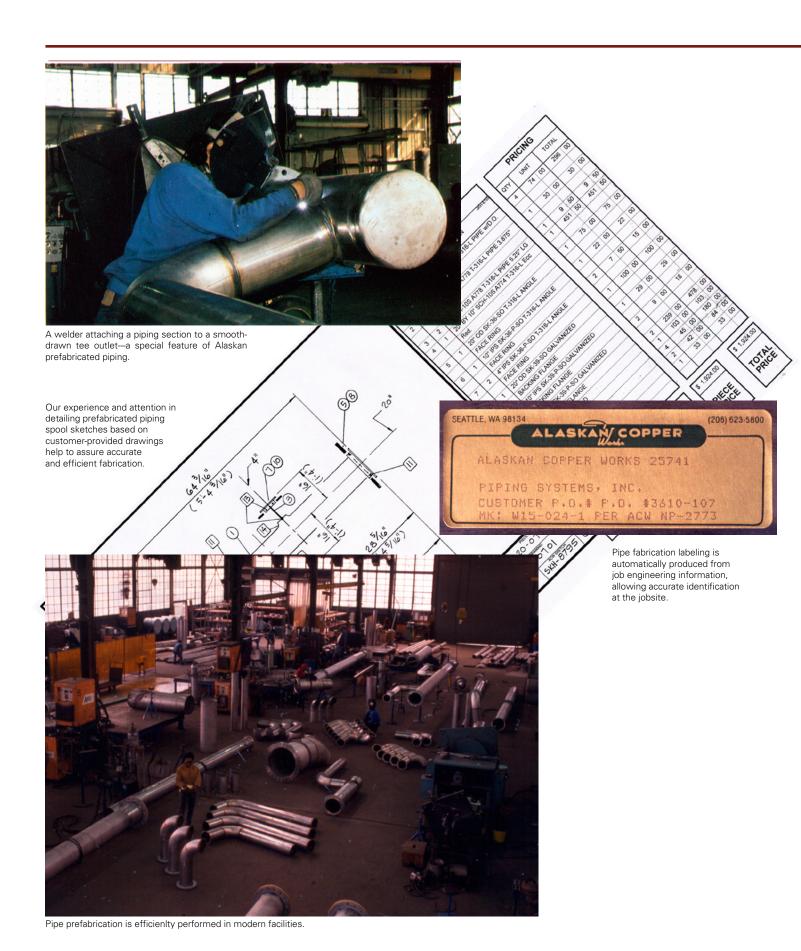
Piping header with polished internal surfaces.



A pines Roto-Bender bends pipe from 5" to 12" sizes and has the capability of producing wrinkle-free bends with the centerline radius as small as three times the outside diameter of the pipe.



A vertical hydraulic press used to end large diameter pipe in sizes from  $4^{\prime\prime}$  OD through  $24^{\prime\prime}$  OD.



## **Quality Control**

Quality control is achieved through a program designed to get the right instructions to the right people, so the product is fabricated correctly the first time.

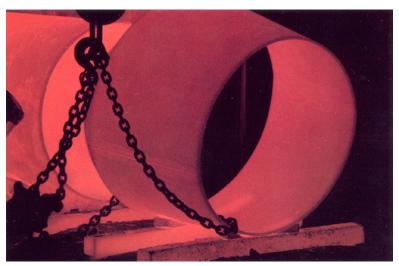
Alaskan Copper Works maintains documented quality control programs that meet the requirements of the ASME Code Section VIII, Division 1, Section III, Division 1, NCA-3800, 10CFR50 Appendix B and Military Specification MIL-I-45208A. These programs are continually analyzed, revised and improved to meet the increasing challenges and complexity of specifications for piping, fittings and custom fabrication.

Our current quality control programs require the assignment of responsibility and the maintainence of detailed procedures for engineering, drafting, layout, purchasing, scheduling, fabrication, examination, documentation and packaging.

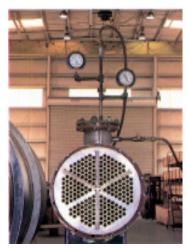
The facilities at Alaskan Copper Works for radiography, liquid penetrant examination, ultrasonic gaging, hydrostatic testing and dimensional checking enhance the effectiveness of our quality control programs. Alaskan Copper Works currently holds an ASME Certificate of Authorization to manufacture products with either "U" or "UM" stamping in accordance with Section VIII, Division 1 of the Code.



A specialized film reader and digital densitometer are used in interpreting radiographic film.



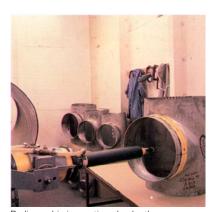
Heat-treatment stress relieves fittings after forming.



Hydrostatic testing checks for leaks and structural integrity.



Angle standard being used to check the geometric accuracy of prefabricated piping items.



Radiographic inspection checks the integrity of welds.



Liquid penetrant examination locates hidden surface defects which may be too small to see visually.

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## **Did You Know?**

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Alaskan Copper & Brass Company and Alaskan Copper Works are the nation's largest combination full service center and manufacturer of corrosion resistant alloy products.

The following publications from Alaskan Copper & Brass Company and Alaskan Copper Works are available upon request.

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