

Dave Tomashek, Director of Logistics for Hellerman Tyton

"We started looking for a design, remodeling and furniture contractor in May of 2007 because we were moving our Naples, Florida operation to Milwaukee. However, the facility had to be ready to move people in on July 20th. I contacted contractors that we had worked with in the past, but none of them could meet the tight deadline we were asking for. When I called CJ & Associates and explained what we were looking for, they jumped right in, were very aggressive to meeting our needs and were able to do things in the time frame that we wanted."

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Project Type:
Office/Manufacturing

Project Challenges:
An extremely tight deadline, and the building required a two step renovation: one side of the building would house offices; the other would house manufacturing operations.

CJ also had to handle unforeseen challenges on the fly and stay on deadline.

Project Team:
Gary Gapinski, Cliff Schneiderwendt
and Vicky Merline from CJ & Associates, Inc.

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HellermannTyton is a global manufacturer of high performance fastening, connecting, routing, protecting, and identifying solutions for diverse markets. The company has locations in over 30 countries with their North American Corporate Headquarters located in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

When the company closed its Naples, Florida facility and moved the operation up to Milwaukee, it sought out more office space. HellermannTyton ended up purchasing an older building that would require a two step renovation. One side of the building had to house offices while the other would house manufacturing operations and warehouse space. On top of starting with a less than ideal space, the company faced tight time constraints to get the building operational for both employees and processes moving from Florida.

"Cliff Schneiderwendt was the project manager assigned to the job. Cliff was here day in and day out, kept on top of things and kept everything running smoothly and on time."

"The project was a true turnkey assignment for CJ & Associates. Every aspect of our company was involved in this assignment," says Gary Gapinski, Sales Manager, ICR Division for CJ & Associates.

"We were responsible for project management for both construction and furniture, interior design, finish selections and approvals, interior and exterior construction services, new furniture specification, delivery and installation."



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After blueprints and designs had been approved, CJ took charge of interior demolition to get the building ready to renovate. The company then began interior construction and was responsible for detail finishing inside and out, painting and wall coverings, and flooring. They added restrooms and closets, replaced windows, and totally eliminated some original, unnecessary window space. CJ also was responsible for wallpaper, carpeting, furniture and office cubicles. The company also coordinated all of the electrical/data line design and installation, including in the warehouse. They painted the outside of the building and added a sign and outdoor lighting.



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"Working with CJ was a definite advantage," says Tomashak. "They were able to coordinate the multiple things that needed to occur simultaneously due to our short time frame. If we had tried to do it, we would have never been able to figure it out. CJ was also able to handle unforeseen challenges well. We would change our mind about things on the fly and CJ was able to keep up with those changes and provide suggestions for alternate solutions. They also had to find a way to finish up the last phases of the project while we were moving people into the completed areas. This wasn't an ideal situation for construction, but CJ always seemed to figure something out."

"We were also able to save HellermannTyton money," says Gapinski. "We not only obtained the best possible pricing from our subcontractors, we also received special pricing consideration from our manufacturers due to the size and quantity of materials ordered."

Gapinski continues, "We were excited to work on this project because it gave us an excellent opportunity to demonstrate our capabilities over a wide range of areas of expertise.

Our project team consisted of myself, Cliff Schneiderwendt and Vicky Merline. I handled all of the sales related portions of the project and assisted where needed. Cliff was the assigned project manager, site supervision and liaison between the subcontractors and HellermannTyton. Vicky took care of the interior design and finish specifications including ordering of samples for carpeting, vinyl cove base, vinyl wallcovering, paint, VCT, Corian countertops, restroom partitions, ceramic tile, laminate selections, layout of furnishings, finish schedules, and working with the architect directly."

"We would definitely work with CJ again," says Tomashak. "All of the people we dealt with were professional and helpful; from Gary and Cliff to the guys on the jobsite to the people in the office that showed us furniture and finishing options. It was really quite nice to work with them. We were very satisfied with the results that they provided, the timeframes that they met and the quality of work that they completed. I would recommend them to another client if I have the opportunity."



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