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Building on our core strengths.



During the economic slowdown of the early 1970s, orders for self-contained sewage pumping stations were at an all-time high, and a new facility was built to manufacture them. Gorman-Rupp Industries invented the revolutionary bellows-metering pump and the oscillating pump, while the Mansfield Division acquired the Roto-Prime pump.

Gorman-Rupp took its products on the road to bring in more customers, driving mobile home-type buses (and even a 40-foot trailer) across the U.S. and Canada. These sales display units on wheels were fitted with pumps, training aids and working product displays. Sales began climbing again.

In 1977, Gorman-Rupp added to its product mix by acquiring Ramparts Company, which produced plastic-lined pumps and valves for abrasive and corrosive applications, broadening the Company's industrial market opportunities.

The following year, Jeff Gorman joined the Company his grandfather had co-founded.

As worldwide demand for construction pumps grew, the Company established the Gorman-Rupp International Company and expanded its market globally. The Company was now able to meet increased demand for construction site pumping equipment throughout the world.



Annual Sales

1979	\$58,347,000
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