Who is Morris Group International®?

Morris Group International’s founding company, Acorn Engineering Company®, has been a trusted name in institutional, industrial and commercial markets since the company’s first hand-welded plumbing fixture in 1954. It’s a name known for durability and vandal resistance, for custom-engineered products that meet the specific demands of an institution.

Today, Acorn Engineering Company has expanded through acquisitions and partnerships to become Morris Group International (MGI). From security fixtures to vacuum plumbing systems, our products are manufactured in our facilities throughout North America to meet the needs of any project. Because we research, design and manufacture our own products, customers have the benefit of going to one supplier to get the job done, with choices that meet ADA requirements and current codes and standards for safety. Products are made from materials such as reclaimed stainless steel, plastic, solid surface, resin, wood and cast iron. The divisions and partnerships under Morris Group International manufacture engineered products that address today’s complex construction and installation needs. The products produced by MGI’s manufacturing divisions are designed and engineered to the highest standards and make specifications and maintenance a key attribute.
23 DIVISIONS & PARTNERSHIPS

LOCATIONS WORLDWIDE
1. City of Industry, CA, US
2. Montgomery, AL, US
3. Gloucester, UK
4. Ontario, Canada
5. Tijuana, Mexico
6. Dubai, UAE
7. Minneapolis, MN
8. Ft. Lauderdale, FL
Since Acorn Engineering Company began manufacturing in 1954, we have been using engineering to solve problems. Today, Morris Group International has grown to encompass 23 divisions and partnerships that are actively working to offer products that improve the lives of those in the markets we serve, while adopting state-of-the-art technologies to make manufacturing more efficient and ensure the highest quality products.
We can take an engineer, architect and designer’s vision and turn it into a reality. Whether it is a stainless steel fixture for a high-traffic public restroom, a lead-free drinking fountain in a school, or a custom vanity in a hotel suite, our fixtures are engineered to meet the standards required in any project. With manufacturing facilities dedicated to metal, plastic, and wood raw materials, Morris Group International has vertically integrated control of all production processes throughout. This allows for stringent quality control throughout each stage of production and assembly because there is rarely a need for outside vendor processes beyond our direct control.
THEN... In 1945, Earl L. Morris established the Earl L. Morris Company (ELMCO), a manufacturer’s representative. Almost ten years later, in 1954, Acorn Engineering Company was established in Los Angeles, CA. Donald Morris succeeded Earl Morris as president 40 years after ELMCO was founded.

NOW... Through the next twenty-seven years, Donald E. Morris expanded Acorn Engineering Company, acquiring and partnering with other companies. Finally, in 2012, Morris Group International was established as the parent company of 23 divisions and partnerships with Donald Morris at the helm.
Acorn Engineering Company was established in 1954. The broad Acorn product line is comprised of heavy-gage stainless steel correctional plumbing fixtures; stainless steel and solid surface wash basins; stainless steel toilets, urinals and showers; and precast shower basins and mop sinks.

Acorn's stainless steel fixtures are ideal for correctional applications.

Acorn's stainless steel plumbing fixtures are used in commercial buildings of all types.
Acorn customized these washfountains to work in freezing temperatures outside a petting zoo.
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Many of Acorn’s fixtures can be specified with hot and cold pushbuttons and a hemispherical bubbler.
Acorn’s hose box line is ideal for use on commercial buildings.

This solid surface basin offers a clean, minimalist finish to any restroom.
Acorn Beekeeping Equipment® was launched in 2014 to satisfy the increasing needs of beekeepers worldwide.

Acorn Beekeeping Equipment manufactures plastic beekeeping equipment, such as frames and foundations.
Acorn Controls® was established in 2013 as a line of safe showering and tempering products designed for the demands of all commercial, multi-family residential and industrial facilities. Our product line includes a patented, ligature-resistant shower handle used to protect patients in behavioral healthcare settings.

Acorn Controls thermostatic mixing valves ensure safe temperatures for sinks and showers.
Acorn-Gencon™ Plastics has been providing superior plastic injection molded products for their valued customers since 1972. Acorn-Gencon has obtained ISO 9001 certification, demonstrating the ability to provide high-quality products that meet or exceed customer and regulatory requirements.

Acorn-Gencon’s manufacturing plant features 27 injection molding presses.
Acorn Safety™, established in 2008, produces a full line of emergency drench equipment such as eye washes, drench showers, and mixing valves for a wide variety of markets.

Acorn Safety emergency drench showers help reduce injuries to workers affected by spilled chemicals.
Since 1990, AcornVac®, Inc. has been designing and manufacturing vacuum plumbing systems that provide valuable design, construction, and operational benefits for virtually any building.

AcornVac Vacuum Plumbing Systems allow supermarkets and commercial retailers to make quick and low-cost changes in plumbing and refrigerated fixture layout for increased sales revenue.
AcornVac Vacuum Plumbing Systems reduce maintenance time and cost associated with clearing waste line blockage and offer significant water savings with efficient and environmentally friendly ½ gallon flush toilets.

Correctional facilities appreciate the security and control benefits of AcornVac Vacuum Plumbing which prevents cell-to-cell communication and the passing of contraband through sanitary waste piping.
AcornVac’s Vacuum Plumbing Systems are UL and IAPMO approved and have NSF-SE Certification. Testing conducted in NSF Laboratories on AcornVac toilets showed no evidence of flush plume, overspray or bacteria on the toilet seat or areas surrounding the toilet, making them an ideal choice for any facility concerned with infection prevention and control.

Facilities with AcornVac Vacuum Plumbing Systems can quickly adapt to changes in patient or physician needs.

AcornVac’s overhead vacuum waste piping allows fixtures to be incorporated into highly congested areas where gravity drainage would be impractical, costly or impossible.
AcornVac Vacuum Plumbing Systems address plumbing renovation challenges in difficult or historical structures with minimal impact.
Since 1966, Chronomite® Laboratories has been the innovative leader in electric tankless water heaters for commercial, industrial, institutional and residential installations. Chronomite Electric Tankless Water Heaters provide unlimited hot water at the point of use.
Never wait for the water to warm up again—Chronomite water heaters deliver instantaneous hot water.

With a Chronomite tankless electric water heater, your eye/face washes will never run out of tepid water when it really counts.
Elmdor/Stoneman® was founded in 1989 on the principle of quality sheet metal fabrication.

Elmdor/Stoneman access doors can be used to conceal systems until they are needed by maintenance staff.
Elmdor/Stoneman keeps many access doors in stock so you can get what you need fast.

Elmdor/Stoneman roof hatches provide easy roof access for building staff.
Fabricacion y Manufacturas de Mexico S.A. de C.V. was established in 1989 as Morris Group International’s Mexican manufacturer.
The showroom for Murdock® products in Mexico.

Terrazzo mop sinks are one product that Fabricacion y Manufacturas de Mexico S.A. de C.V. produces.
Jay R. Smith Mfg. Co. has been a leading manufacturer of quality engineered plumbing and drainage products in the non-residential construction industry since 1926.

Jay R. Smith Mfg. Co. is home to a 300,000 sq. ft. manufacturing plant, warehouse, and distribution center.
Jay R. Smith Mfg. Co. still enamels cast iron floor sinks in-house to ensure high quality.
Jay R. Smith Mfg. Co.'s line of trench drainage systems includes the Smith/Aco line of polymer concrete and fiberglass trench drains, stainless steel trench drains, and the Enviro-Flo® II polypropylene trench drain system.

The Fine-Line® stainless steel designer shower drain adds a touch of sophistication to your shower stall.
Jay R. Smith Mfg. Co.’s Enviro-Flo®II is a lightweight, easy-to-install trench drain.

The Zip Trench™ comes in 3-meter channels for a speedy installation.
Stainless steel drains offer superior sanitation in applications such as breweries.
Jay R. Smith Mfg. Co.’s line of stainless steel drains includes floor drains, roof drains, and cleanouts.

Stainless steel drains are great for commercial kitchen applications.
Since 1958, Larsen's® Manfuacturing has been a leader of unsurpassed quality manufacturing for the building construction and fire protection equipment industries.
Larsen's fire extinguisher cabinets can be made in many different finishes to complement the finished wall.

Larsen’s fire extinguisher cabinets come in a variety of sizes and styles to meet the requirements of the application.
Murdock® Mfg. has been operating since 1853 and is the trusted name in the parks and recreation market. Murdock specializes in manufacturing indoor and outdoor drinking fountains and bottle fillers.

Murdock Outdoor Bottle fillers offer a fast fill up in parks, campgrounds, and other outdoor areas.
Murdock offers a variety of hydrants for outdoor applications.

Murdock pet fountains provide healthy hydration for man's best friend.
Neo-Metro®, established in 1998, reinvented the definition of contemporary bath décor with the classic and industrial look of stainless steel plumbing fixtures.

Neo-Metro’s sleek stainless steel fixtures take luxury to a new level.
This Slab™ basin’s clean lines and simple design fit perfectly in this modern restroom.

These green Ebb® basins add a perfect pop of color to this dental office.
Since 1937, Potter Roemer® has been the leading producer and supplier of interior hose and standpipe equipment, cabinets, connections and valves to the fire protection industry.

Potter Roemer fire extinguisher cabinets come in a variety of finishes to complement any wall.

Fire Department connections provide a place to connect fire hoses to the pumper truck.
A FirePro™ monitor for marine applications.
Whitehall® Manufacturing was established in 1946 to provide high-quality hospital products to the healthcare industry. Our product line includes BestCare® ligature-resistant plumbing fixtures and accessories that increase patient safety.

Whitehall Patient Care units combine toilet and sink in one compact unit that can be installed in hospital rooms.
This solid surface corner sink provides a handwashing option for tight spaces.

The BestCare® line offers the highest quality ligature-resistant products to the behavioral healthcare market. BestCare products include ligature-resistant basins, toilets, faucets, showers, grabs bars and more.
Whitehall® Manufacturing’s therapy product lines provide a variety of helpful treatment options for physical therapy patients. Product lines include whirlpools, Thermalator® moist heat therapy, ThermoTherapy® dry heat therapy, cold therapy, paraffin therapy, and splint pans.

Whitehall hydrotherapy whirlpools come in a variety of sizes to treat one extremity or the whole body.

Whitehall’s cleatPRO® cleat steamer helps athletes steam and contour new cleats for a custom fit.
Splint pans heat splinting material, allowing it to be formed into the proper shape.
SALES AND DISTRIBUTION
WORLDWIDE DISTRIBUTION
DISTRIBUTION CENTERS
OFFICES & DISTRIBUTION CENTERS

ELMCO GROUP
EST 1952

ELMCO + ASSOC.
EST 1999
Sacramento, CA
San Francisco, CA

ELMCO DUDDY
EST 1953
City of Industry, CA
San Diego, CA

ELMCO STEWART
EST 2001
Las Vegas, NV
Phoenix, AZ

ELMCO SWORDS
EST 1984
Honolulu, HI
Innovative Spirit and Engineering Foundation

“What sets us apart from competitors is our engineering and spirit. We have a ‘can-do’ spirit. If you ask us to do something, we will do it or figure out how to do it. That’s the part our customers like, that’s the part we like.”

- Don Morris, President and CEO