

DETROIT TRANSMISSION DIVISION HISTORICAL HIGH-LIGHTS

- 1939 Organized in one-third of an old six story building on Riopelle Street in Detroit.
Shipped first Hydra-Matic Transmission to Oldsmobile in October.
- 1940 Shipped first Hydra-Matic to Cadillac in October.
- 1942-5 Hydra-Matic Transmissions made for tanks in World War II.
- 1947 Made 500,000th Hydra-Matic on September 22nd.
- 1949 Made 1,000,000th Hydra-Matic on January 2nd. In September began move of Hydra-Matic to new plant in Livonia.
- 1951 Introduced 1952 Model Dual-Range Hydra-Matic Transmission.
- 1953 August 12th - 1,500,000 sq. ft. Livonia Plant destroyed by fire.
September 7th - Began move to Willow Run Bomber Plant in Ypsilanti.
November 4th - Began assembly of Hydra-Matic Transmissions, exactly 12 weeks after the fire.
- 1955 Introduced 1956 Model Controlled Coupling Hydra-Matic Transmission.
- 1957 Made 9,000,000th Hydra-Matic on November 6th.

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