Hanix, a history of innovation

1965
Handozer Group founded in Japan consisting of three companies - Handozer Industry for manufacturing, Nissan Kizai Co. Ltd for sales and Lease Service Ltd for leasing and rental.

1980
Nissan Kizai developed the mini excavator range in cooperation with NKK, the inventor of slewing-type mini excavator.

1984
Nissan Kizai starts sales in U.S.A.

1968
Nagano Industry Co., Ltd (NKK) was founded in Nagano, Japan.

1971
NKK invented the first hydraulic 360° slewing mini excavator in the world.

1983
NKK invented the first ultra small slewing radius excavator.

1987
NKK was awarded the Grand Prize of the Invention for their mini excavator in Japan

1988
Nissan Kizai Europe Ltd founded in Manchester UK for manufacturing and sales of mini-excavators in Europe.

1992
Nissan Kizai changed the name to Hanix taking the first two letters each from Handozer and Nissan and adding "x" as the mathematic symbol meaning infinity.

Early 90's
Hanix Europe Sales for the first time achieved through European sales in excess of 1000 units per year.

1999
For better quality, increased demand and reliability, all Hanix mini excavator production was moved to Japan and the company merged with the NKK Group.

1990
NKK developed the multi-functional small slewing radius excavators.

1998
NKK produced the platform that held the Nagano Olympic flame.

2000
H75B City Boom was added to the 7.5 ton range.

2004
H36R was introduced as the first swing-type zero tail model. Hanix C series launched.

1999
H75B was introduced as the first additional model designed and manufactured for Hanix by NKK.

2001
H22B was added to the medium size range.

2005
NKK received the Good Design Award for 180° rotating heavy loading aerial platform.

2005
H56C was added to the large size range.

2006
H26C, H36C and H36CR were upgraded from B series loading Mitsubishi Engines.

2008
H55DR zero tail launched, the first of the D series excavator.

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