



THE HISTORY

In 1954 Dallas Smith founded Dallas Smith Corp. in Indianapolis, Indiana. The company developed, owned and operated automotive pre-delivery centers which provided new car get-ready services for General Motors Corporation, Ford Motor Company and the Chrysler Corporation. These pre-delivery centers prepared and delivered vehicles with "the highest quality showroom condition" to U.S. automotive dealers! The company grew to become the largest U.S. company operating automotive pre-delivery centers. The division was sold in 1969 to the Southern Pacific Railroad.

In 1960, Dallas Smith formed a trucking division at the auto pre-delivery center in Phoenix, Arizona to transport new General Motors vehicles to auto dealers located in Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, Mexico, and Arizona. Over the next twenty five years the trucking company had extremely high growth in its business as the western United States experienced substantial increases in population. The trucking business was acquired by Ryder in 1984.

During the late 1960's and 1970's, Dallas Smith Corp had divisions that owned and operated a Ford Motor Company dealership, a national chain of car washes which was acquired by Gulf Oil Corporation and a trailer manufacturing business that was acquired by the Greyhound Corporation and the Burlington Northern Railroad.

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