# Ironpeddlers Experiences Growth Due to Partnership

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The Greenville-Spartanburg market was the closest open territory to the dealership's Monroe headquarters at the time, he said, and his company soon began a search for property in the area to set up shop, if only temporarily.

"We found a small laydown yard in Fountain Inn, S.C., southeast of Greenville, and bought a small, prefabricated barn as an office building," Broome said. "Once we painted a sign, we were in business."

Later, after Ironpeddlers and SANY had established a foothold in the market, the manufacturer asked Broome's company to build a larger facility to better care for its customers' needs.

"Now, we have a seven-bay shop with a road frontage along Interstate 85 in Duncan, S.C., between Spartanburg and Greenville," he said, adding that the branch sits on 6

Depending on their size, several machines can be housed in the service bays at any one time. From the location, Ironpeddlers keeps three service trucks ready for quick dispatch and a trio of resident technicians are on hand to repair any equipment issues.

To date, the largest SANY machines sold by Ironpeddlers in the Greenville market have been a pair of SY500 excavators, a 120,000-lb. model. Broome noted that Big Mountain Machinery in the Asheville, N.C. area bought them for use in building a large school project.

In eastern North Carolina, Ironpeddlers opened its Raleigh dealership two years ago, capitalizing on the non-stop growth of the dynamic Triangle market.

Back in the Palmetto State, the company is preparing a permanent home for its latest branch, this time in Horry County along the coast. Ironpeddlers is currently leasing a facility in Myrtle Beach, another dynamic region for construction, while it readies a permanent building in nearby Conway. Broome said the new location should be up and running in the fourth quarter of 2023.

That means the Myrtle Beach-area branch, in tandem with the Greenville-Spartanburg, Raleigh and Charlotte-Monroe facilities, will effectively cover almost the entirety of Ironpeddlers' sales territories for SANY products in the Carolinas.

As a result, more heavy equipment made by SANY can now be spotted working on highway and field projects in the two states

Broome attributed that to Ironpeddlers placing an early emphasis on lessening the downtime of its machines once they are on

"We went heavy in the service end of the business prior to taking on a lot of territory," he said. "That included making sure we had the top technicians on hand to service customers quickly."

The contractors Ironpeddlers serves have responded positively to the significant investments it has been making to open its three branches over the last five years.

"What we found in expanding into the OEM equipment world is that your customers want confidence that you will be there to service them, so having a brick-andmortar shop provides them with comfort that you are going to fulfill their needs," Broome

#### New, Used Parts **Readily Available**

Ironpeddlers understands that even the most dependable equipment requires a new part now and then. To be ready for those moments, the dealership has a large repository of new, used and remanufactured parts and accessories in each of its six locations.

Its parts division specializes in high-quality used components pulled from the dealer's yard — one that holds hundreds of machines. If a part cannot be found at one of its branches, Ironpeddlers also can locate it through a worldwide dealer network.

Lately, the used parts division of Ironpeddlers has proved to be quite success-

"The parts business has come in well over the past several years because with the down economy, people often work with what they have, so they will buy used parts instead of new machinery," he said.

"Additionally, I would be remiss if I failed to mention the great work our team in Savannah has done in the past year under the leadership of a new manager since January 2021," Broome said. "They have grown our customer base and new parts sales in ways I never would have imagined."

In looking ahead, Broome believes that Ironpeddlers' future will continue to shine

"We want to keep the SANY brand as our main OEM so we can continue to offer excellent service to our Southeast customers."

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