1918

United States Hoffman Machinery Company
Created the Hoffman Air & Filtration Division
Which handled air, water and oil filtration
as well as vacuum and distillation technologies
Located in Syracuse New York

1920

Thomas P. Endicott invented a distillation system
for solvents, petroleum distillates, and water
Later known as the AGC Hydrosacv (AHS)
The patent was assigned to his employer
United States Hoffman Machinery Company
U.S. Patent No. 1,426,053 (Issued 1922, Expired 1937)

1945

Francis J. Armstrong invented a Disc Filtration System
for the use of filtering lubricating and gear oil
Later known as the AGC Strainer Vessel (ASV)
The patent was assigned to his employer
United States Hoffman Machinery Company

1948

Albert S. Allen invented a Vaporizing Unit & Tray System
Later known as the AGC Oil Conditioner (AOC)
The patent was assigned to his employer
United States Hoffman Machinery Company

1958

United States Hoffman Machinery Company
Took the oil filtration and distillation departments
of the Hoffman Air & Filtration Division and did a
Joint-Venture with Albert J. Allen in Springfield, MO
Hoffman-Allen Corporation

1958

Albert S. Allen invented the Combined Full-Flow
and by-pass filter with strainer for oil filtration
Later known as the AGC Filter Vessel System (AVS)
The patent was assigned to his company
Hoffman-Allen Corporation
Albert S. Allen passed and his wife Catherine H. Allen bought out any remaining partner interest and all rights to licenses and patents from all preceding corporations. The company becomes 100% women owned company. The company remained in Springfield and was renamed ALLEN FILTERS, INC.

Catherine H. Allen invented the stacked disc filter known as the Allen Flo-Master Filter (AFM). The patent was assigned to her company ALLEN FILTERS, INC.


Marvin R. Williams invented an improved Oil Conditioner later known as the AGC Oil Conditioner (AOC). The patent was assigned to his employer ALLEN FILTERS, INC.

U.S. Patent No. 4,089,663 (Issued 1978, Expired 1997)

Catherine H. Allen’s daughter Katherine S. Allen assumes the role of President of the company. Catherine H. Allen passed away in 2001 leaving her daughter the sole owner and CEO of the 100% woman owned global industry leading manufacturing company ALLEN FILTERS, INC.

Katherine S. Allen sold all but her filter division to her President Jerome H. Nichols to pursue her interests in manufacturing advocacy and women’s rights globally. She continues to remain the sole owner and CEO of ALLEN FILTERS, INC.

Jerome H. Nichols purchased the entire capital equipment division from Allen Filters, Inc. including all licenses, patents and proprietary rights from all previous companies. Jerome H. Nichols became sole owner and President/CEO of ALLEN FILTRATION, INC.

Creating a state-of-the-art plant dedicated by the Governor.

Jerome H. Nichols invented a Re-Refinery System to take any petroleum waste and return any constituent part to its virgin state so they can be sold as is or blended into other products. This technology is environmentally friendly, has no process emissions, uses no chemicals and only clean water as waste.

Known as the AGC Re-Refinery (ARR)

U.S. Patent No. 20160244676 (Published 2016 A1)
AGC Filtration, LLC acquires 100% interest in a crude refining sales company. This completed a full range petroleum fluid company ranging from dehydration/filtration to waste oil re-refining to crude and gas processing operations. This solutions company is owned by Jerome H. Nichols. The company was renamed to better describe its full offering.

**AGC REFINING & FILTERS, LLC**

Jerome H. Nichols created a company to be responsible for all marketing, advertising and development. As the number of offices involved, and the coordination of global consistency in marketing, branding and advertising, a governing body had to become responsible for the strategic planning and overall global direction for the group and brand. It has been named

**AGC INTERNATIONAL, LLC**