

## Kraftwerks Newsletter

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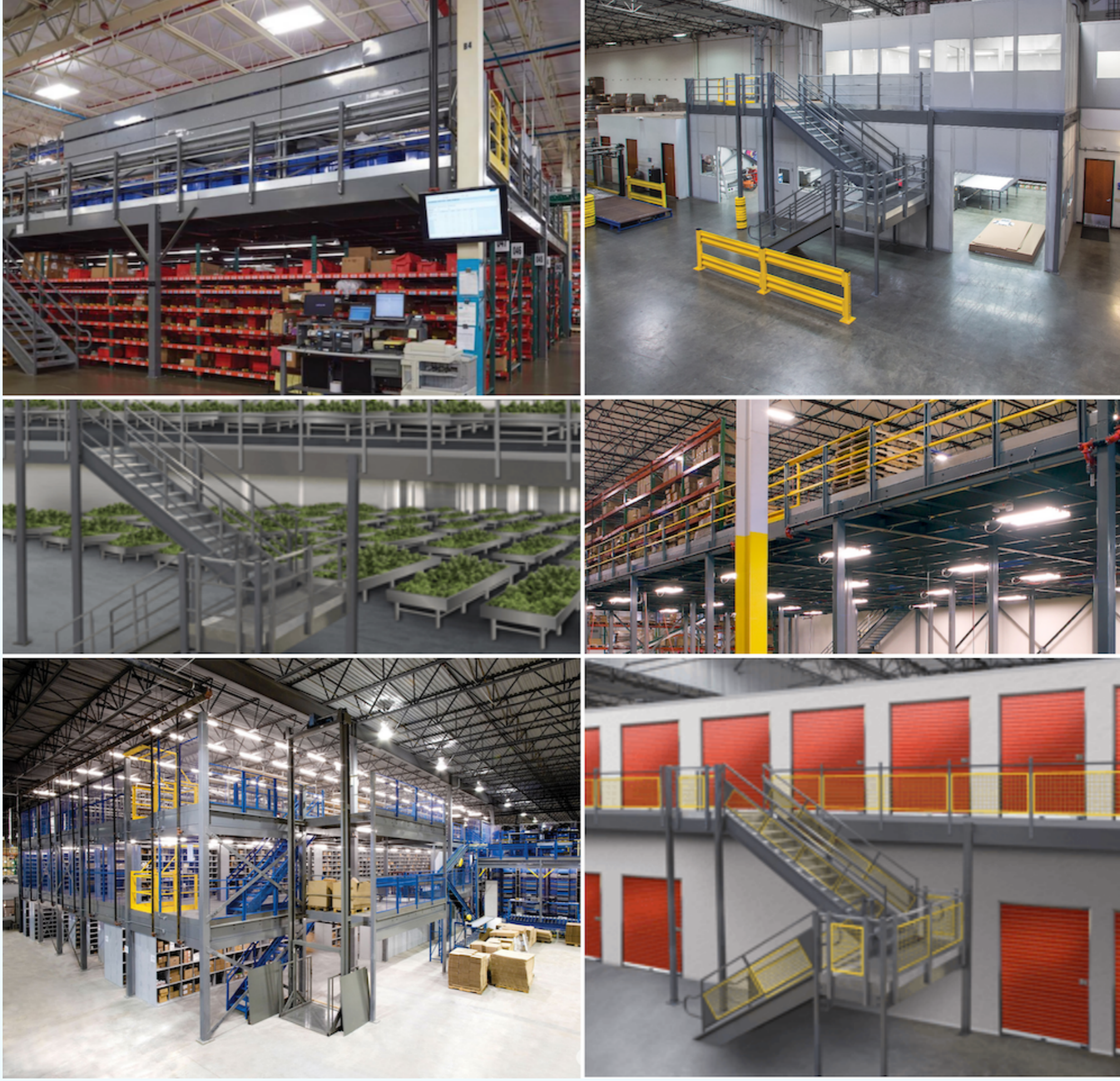
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Finding space for storage, administration, or operations may not be as hard as you think. You may only need to look upward.

Additional floor space can be added with moderate cost and little interruption to operations with a mezzanine.



### Flexible Space Expansion

Adding a Cogan structural steel single- or multi-level mezzanine effectively increases existing floor space by adding a 2nd and/or 3rd level, while still allowing use of the space below. Mezzanines accomplish this by making use of unused vertical space.

This newly created floor space adds storage, space for productive work environments, support for InPlant offices, or a multitude of other uses. Mezzanine systems reduce clutter, increase organization, and they provide a better vantage point for a clear 'overhead' view of work areas.

Cogan mezzanines are freestanding and modular. They can quickly be disassembled and moved, easily adapting to the growth and evolving needs of an organization. And because mezzanines do not extend across the full area of the facility, they have the same ceiling as the space below — so they utilize the existing heating and cooling system.

The team at Kraftwerks has experience with mezzanines. We know how these applications work best, so we'll ensure:

- Mezzanine design meets your current and future needs,
- Mezzanine meets capacity requirements,
- Mezzanine column layout is appropriate,
- Mezzanine column base plates are sized properly,
- Mezzanine materials meet ASTM specifications,
- Mezzanine meets or exceeds all required building and safety codes, and
- Mezzanine flooring, stairs, platforms, guardrails, and gates are appropriately selected.

Ask us how we can help expand your space with a mezzanine.



### High Quality, High Speed, Affordable Space and Separation

InPlant modular offices are prefabricated, portable buildings that are suitable for a variety of applications from offices to equipment enclosures to labs/clean rooms.

A modular office can be outfitted with plumbing, electrical wiring, exterior siding, and interior floor coverings that meet your specifications. And they are equal, if not better, in quality than traditional construction materials.

#### Quick

Modular structures ship quickly, decreasing lead time. They are easy to assemble, as well as to disassemble (and move elsewhere). Because of this, there is little disruption to operations. Choosing modular vs. traditional construction also alleviates the time (and cost) constraints of permitting.

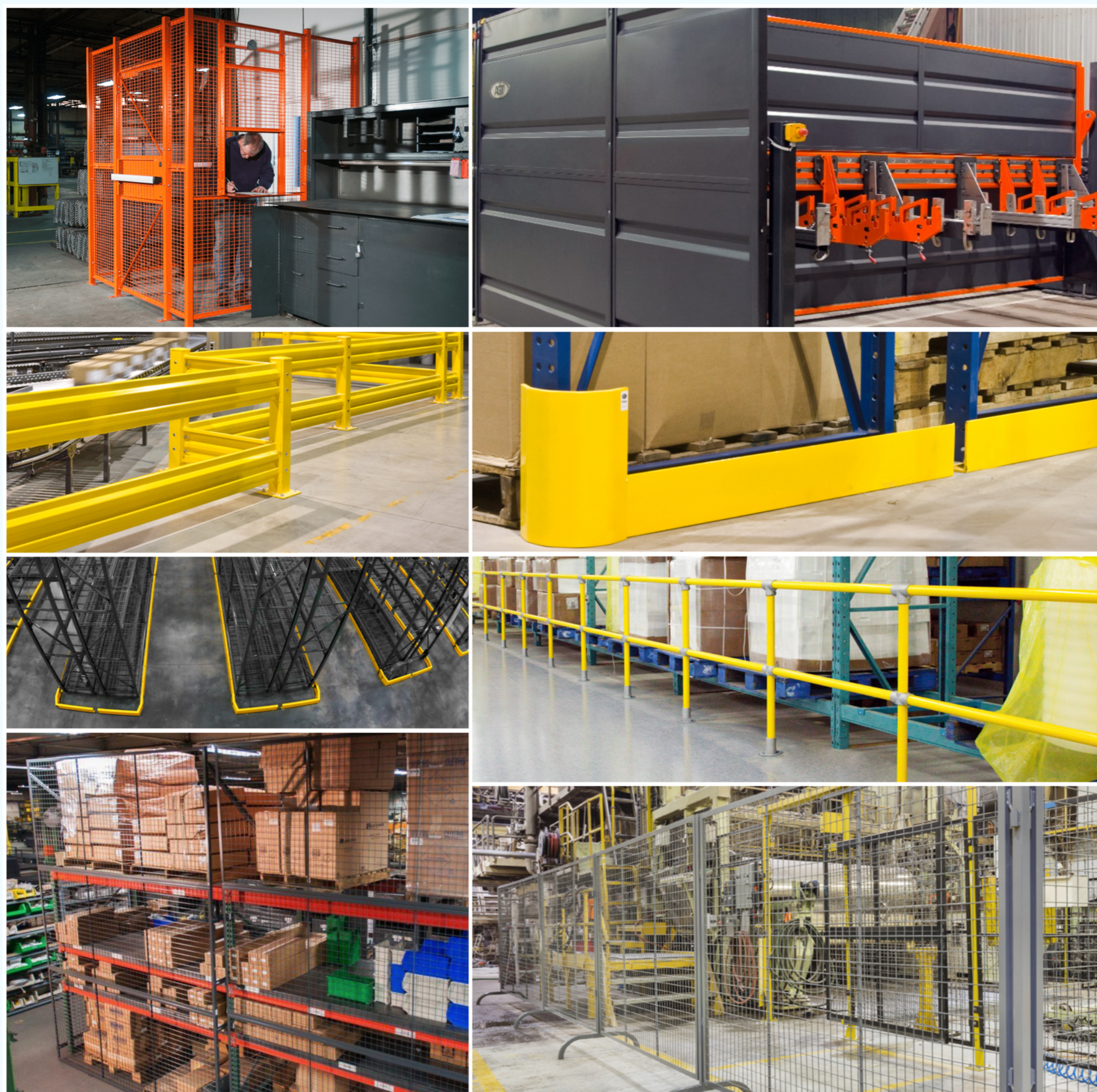
#### Cost Effective

Modular buildings have lower upfront costs and are less expensive to install, especially due to labor costs that are lower than with traditional construction. This means they yield a quicker ROI. Plus, they are classified as tangible personal property, which reduces the tax burden.

#### Flexible

Modular structures can quickly be reconfigured into new and different-sized, single- or multi-floor offices, enclosures or room dividers. They can be assembled at floor level or atop a mezzanine. Because of their ease in reconfiguration, modular structures are a better long-term solution that adapts with the growth of the organization. Options like windows, doors, flooring, etc. can be easily changed as well.

It's important however, to still have a construction manager oversee all the elements of the project, and Kraftwerks can help. Our experience with these installations will ensure the project runs smoothly from start to finish.



### Be Proactive with Safety

Safety is a highly important consideration for all businesses. It's important to ensure adequate safety precautions are in place to protect company assets—and that includes people.

Accidents are expensive. Repairing or replacing assets damaged by accidents or worse, unwelcome lawsuits resulting from injuries in your facility (employee or visitor) are costs you don't need, especially when they could have been avoided.

Machine barriers and guarding products are physical barriers that protect machinery, dangerous equipment, and assets. It's important to be mindful of areas where forklifts and other vehicles travel and any areas where people walk.

Kraftwerks is a distributor for WireCrafters, Cogan and other producers of physical barrier and guarding products. We know safety and will identify and procure the ideal product to meet the needs of your organization.

- Machine guarding & barriers
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