

KME RESCUES...LIKE NO OTHER



## >>>> KME *Works for You.™*

**As a privately held family company since 1946, KME™ is truly an American success story.** *We've experienced six decades of steady growth because we've worked hard to maintain our founder's entrepreneurial spirit. KME is focused on an ability to rapidly respond to market demands with innovative new products and services that offer real value and build long-term partnerships.*

### *Unwavering Dedication to Our Customers*

No company is better able to rapidly respond to customers' needs with common sense and a dedication to excellence. As a family-owned company under the leadership of John J. Kovatch III, decisions are made in the best interest of our customers, company and employees without influence from outside investors or stock market analysts. By continually reinvesting in the company with personnel training, new equipment and updated facilities, KME is best able to serve our customers today and for future generations because it's not just a business, it's our family commitment.

OUR STEADY GROWTH  
OVER THE LAST SIX  
DECADES EMPOWERS  
US TO SERVE YOU TODAY –  
AND INTO THE FUTURE.



*John J. Kovatch III, KME President and CEO*



# commitment

## PASSION FOR EXCELLENCE

### *Personal Attention*

With 700 employees, *KME* has the resources to support our customers' needs. However, *KME* still assigns a primary point of contact for each new truck build to coordinate all communications between *KME*, the sales representative and the customer. There is no "handoff" through various stages of production where customers have to redefine their needs to each new person in the process. *KME*'s project manager ensures that all customer needs and expectations are met from order to delivery, every time.

### *Network of Support*

*KME*'s factory locations, teamed with a nationwide network of sales and service centers, provide a full range of support for our vehicles. Our locations are fully insured and ready to provide maintenance, repairs, parts and technical support.



# »»» CUSTOMIZATION THROUGH INNOVATION

*KME is a true sole-source manufacturer,  
so customization is central in all we do.*

**KME product design begins with in-depth discussions with users as well as maintenance staff to understand how to make their apparatus safer, easier to use, and more reliable.**

*KME then custom manufactures the cab, chassis, and body, combining them with components from hundreds of vendors to bring features and options that offer maximum storage and superior performance.*

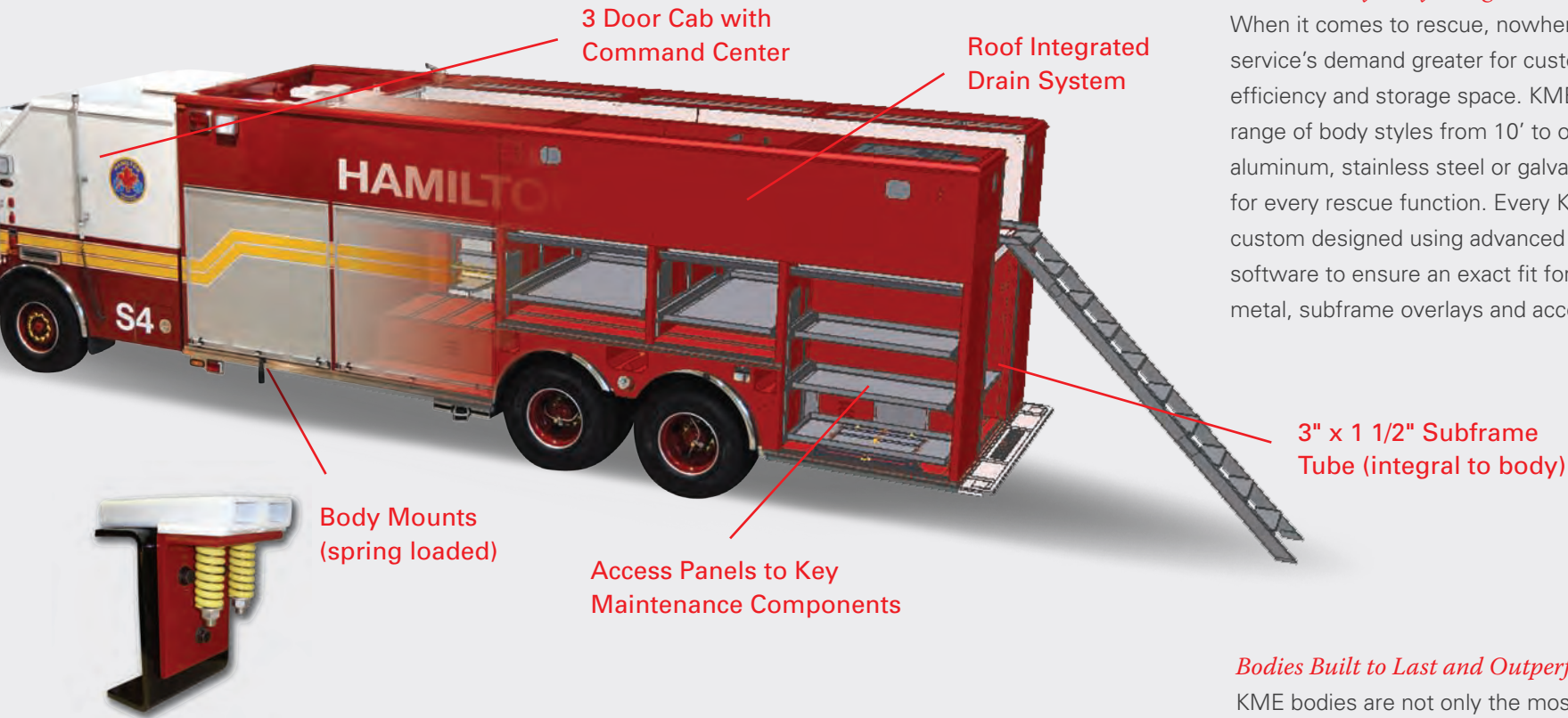
» New ideas to help  
improve response  
and reliability





# custom

SOLE-SOURCE



### *Revolutionary Body Design and Construction*

When it comes to rescue, nowhere is the fire service's demand greater for customization, efficiency and storage space. KME offers a full range of body styles from 10' to over 26' in aluminum, stainless steel or galvanized steel for every rescue function. Every KME body is custom designed using advanced 3D modeling software to ensure an exact fit for all sheet metal, subframe overlays and accessories.

### *Bodies Built to Last and Outperform the Competition*

KME bodies are not only the most custom, but also the most rugged. They begin with structural tubing as thick as 3/8" as a frame substructure for superior strength. Then fabricated panels are stitch and plug welded, allowing the customer to maximize compartment space while maintaining optimum structural rigidity. The subframe and panels are the same material, so dissimilar metal corrosion is eliminated. By not utilizing pre-determined extruded shapes and sizes our bodies provide stronger construction, ease of repair, and overall flexibility in design.

### *Better Performance through Better Ideas*

New ideas and new technologies aren't enough. KME implements better ideas in a manner that increases performance and safety and brings rapid results through simplified operations.



## >>>> A FOCUS ON SAFETY

*Safety is the core element of every feature KME offers.*

**KME has invested millions in engineering, development and testing to integrate products that not only protect fire service personnel, but also prevent accidents in the first place.**

*Utilizing computer-aided models in combination with real-world testing, KME produces cabs and fire bodies that take the guesswork out of design. The result is proven safety.*







### *Safer Storage Solutions*

KME provides safer storage solutions to minimize injuries and increase productivity by placing equipment right where you need it. Flexibility in design and body structure allows the customer to specifically locate equipment to meet the department's needs to operate safely and efficiently. When seconds count, KME has the solution.



### *Safest Cab in the Fire Service*

KME's family of *Predator™* chassis are the safest in the fire service. Working with industry-leading third-party safety specialists, KME designed and tested our cabs beyond the test requirements and achieved a fire-service-best result in roof crush, side crush and frontal impact. Cabs include occupant frontal impact and rollover protection systems.

### *Body Design with Safety in Mind*

Whether you are on the way to a scene, working a scene, unloading equipment, or just doing routine maintenance, KME provides a safer solution. With safety in mind KME designs each apparatus to reduce these hazards. A few ways KME addresses these concerns is by lowering weight, creating a lower center of gravity, securely mounting equipment ergonomically, and providing safe and easy access to roof storage.



# safety



## »»» WALK-AROUND RESCUES

*Walk-around a KME and you'll see the difference.*

**KME offers heavy duty rescues in the highest quality 3/16" aluminum, galvanized steel or stainless steel.**

*These rescues are the most rugged, custom units available to the fire service. KME's formed body design allows for maximum compartment space (29" deep or transverse) and greater design flexibility. The fully integrated roof, light tower compartments, and walkways ensure a complete one-piece welded unit with unrivaled strength and weatherproof security.*



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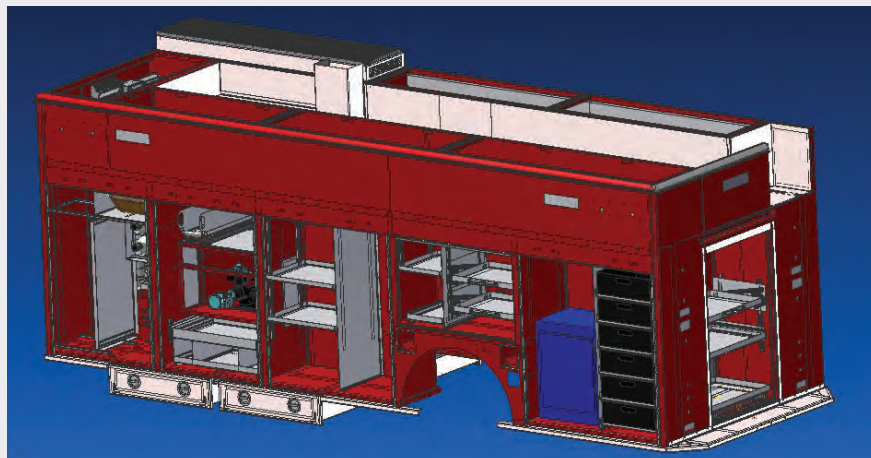


### *Maximum Storage*

KME custom construction makes maximum use of body space by offering transverse and split depth compartments above the frame and small compartments for unique storage which would normally be wasted on competitor models. Formed interior wall panels provide full width compartments, eliminating wasted space experienced with double wall construction.

### *Flexibility by Design*

With your input, KME's commitment is to design a truck around equipment and specific needs. Combining flexibility and design by 3D modeling all bodies, shelving, and accessories, KME builds your department apparatus that is useful from the day it backs into the station.



### *Light and Medium Duty Rescue*

KME light and medium duty rescues offer a full range of options to customize to your unique needs. Available in lengths from 10' to 15', these units offer plenty of heavy duty features including the use of rugged substructure tubing and aluminum construction. Special body storage compartmentation can be created for rescue, fire police and other required functions.

➤ When leaving equipment behind is not an option

## >>> WALK-IN RESCUES

### *Walk-in to functionality.*

**Walk-in rescue bodies are designed for both function and safety.**

*KME's walk-in bodies are fabricated completely from 3/16" aluminum or 12-gauge stainless steel with an integrated substructure of "like" body material. All body roofs are designed with 2" x 2" structural tubing provided on 16" centers to provide maximum strength in protecting the crew. All roofs are seam welded to prevent water intrusion.*



> Premium materials, flexibility in design and attention to detail create unmatched functionality.

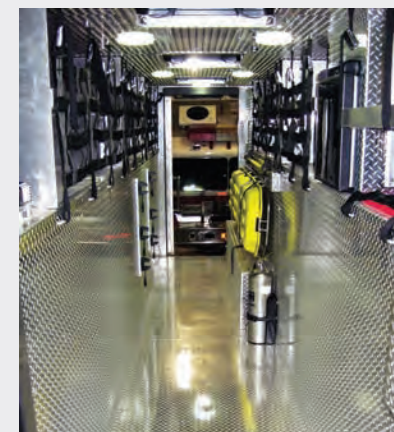






### *Interior Design*

Rescue body interiors can be customized to the mission of your truck. Fire departments are not limited to pre-determined layouts and sizes of components. Interiors can be customized with seating, cabinets, command desks, receptacles, computer stations, refrigeration, communication equipment mounting, and hundreds of other options to support your rescue mission.



### *Heavy Duty Inside and Out*

Standard body trim materials are designed for rugged use and durability during the life of the vehicle. As standard, KME utilizes aluminum tread plate for flooring/walkway walls and fiberglass-reinforced board for ceilings and side walls with upgrades available to each. All 12V DC wiring is installed using protective loom while 110/220v AC wiring is entirely encased in liquid tight conduit to prevent chafing and fatigue over the life of the apparatus. While maintaining a spacious interior KME utilizes 29" deep exterior compartments to maximize storage for essential equipment.



### *Light and Medium Duty Walk-ins*

KME light and medium duty rescues offer a full range of options to customize to your unique needs. Available in lengths from 10' to 15', these units offer plenty of heavy duty features including the use of rugged substructure tubing and 3/16" aluminum. Special body storage compartmentation can be created for rescue, fire police and other required functions.



## >>> WET RESCUES

*Demand versatility and achieve excellence.*

Now more than ever fire departments are required to function at higher levels, carry more equipment, and do more with less. KME Wet Rescues combine the best of all worlds by maximizing storage space, water capacity, functionality, and versatility while maintaining the smallest overall apparatus package available to the fire service.







### *Maximize Space*

KME's flexibility in design combined with 3D modeling of all bodies and shelving gives the fire department the ability to meet equipment and storage needs by maximizing all available compartment space while maintaining desired water and foam capacities. Providing optional transverse lower compartments and roof compartments along with tanks ranging from 200 gallons to over 1000 gallons, KME has the ability to exceed your needs. With KME, furnishing water on your apparatus will not sacrifice your compartment space demands.

### *Pump and Panel Options*

Pump options on wet rescues include PTO, mid-ship, rear mounted, and auxiliary engine driven along with a variety of foam systems. Safety is KME's top priority and our 3 pump panel positions (driver's side, officer's side, and true rear mount) allow departments to place your operator out of harm's way and increase vision at the scene. KME works closely with each customer to ensure the pump panel arrangement is as functional as possible within the smallest package, leaving more room for equipment.



➤ Maximize your equipment storage while increasing operator safety.



### *Rear Mount Pumper Rescues*

Fire departments nationwide are called upon to respond with more equipment than ever before, so KME designed our rear mount pumpers with unrivaled storage capacity packaged in a maneuverable short wheelbase. Bodies are available in aluminum or stainless steel with a wide range of pump, tank, hosebed, and storage options on either a custom or commercial chassis. Rear mount pump panels are available on either side or in a true rear configuration.

# versatility

# >>> SPECIALTY SERVICES RESCUES

## *Vehicles specially designed for your response.*

**KME's custom capability allows endless options for customers to configure rescues for special applications.** Whether responding to a local incident, natural disaster, or terrorist threat, KME has the solution. Our engineers work one on one with your department to ensure your responders have the tools they need to get the job done.



### *Air/Light*

Air/light units are specially designed to deliver breathing air and/or functional lighting to the scene. They offer 2 or 4 bottle (up to 32cfm), standard air cascade or compressor systems (electric or diesel driven) and a wide range of generators for horizontally or vertically mounted light masts.



### *Command*

Command center units are highly custom vehicles with special monitoring and communication equipment. Many have conference and work areas and some models include slide-out modules for additional working area.

## > Rescues for every function.



### *Hazmat*

KME hazmat units are designed for effective response to a wide range of hazards. They range from 10' to 26', many with command centers and specialized storage. Apparatus includes specialized computer, weather and communication systems. Unique lab configurations are also available.





### *Rehab*

Scene rehab units can have many different roles. Whether stationed in a primarily cold or arid climate, these vehicles are designed to maintain a comfortable environment to allow you to stabilize your responder's or patient's core temperatures. Rehab units are also available with breathing air systems, galleys and lavatories as required. Available on custom or commercial chassis.



### *Combination*

KME combines the best of a walk-in rescue with the storage of a walk-around. With cab or side body entry, interiors can be customized for several functions. A drop down rear allows for easy storage of critical tools and equipment.



### *Crew Carrier*

Wildland firefighters often have to travel distances over rough terrain to reach the fire scene. These units provide safe and comfortable transport for the crew with storage for equipment.



### *EMS/First Response*

These units are typically first on scene with limited personnel to assess the incident. First response rescues can be designed around your EMS, fire or command needs. Units are traditionally designed with 10' or 13' bodies depending on storage requirements. They are available on any light commercial chassis.

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