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INTRODUCTION

This brochure has been prepared for those interested in purchasing a tracker-action organ. Fundamental questions are presented with what we hope are detailed answers.

WHAT TYPE OF ORGANS ARE USED IN CHURCH?

The electronic organ is used in various denominations, usually those with smaller congregations. Electronic organs will imitate a pipe organ but cannot achieve that degree of realism.

There are basically three kinds of pipe organs: direct electric, electro-pneumatic and mechanical-action or tracker-action organs. Of the three mentioned, the tracker has the least maintenance requirements and will outlast its competition often by centuries.

The primary advantage of a tracker organ is its absolute precision. The speech of the pipes responds instantly and sensitively to the organist's touch.

Pipe organs have been proven over the centuries to be long enduring and dependable. Our organs will furnish the organist with tonal resources necessary for Baroque to the Contemporary depending upon the size.

WHAT WILL IT COST?

The price of a tracker-action organ is \$7,800.00 - \$9,500.00 per stop, depending on the size of the instrument. A three-manual organ would be more expensive than a two-manual organ. The price per stop for a one-manual instrument is \$5,500.00 - \$6,500.00.

Our prices include transportation, installation, and tonal finishing in the church. All work and material is warranted for a period of five years.

WHEN WOULD THE ORGAN BE FINISHED?

Delivery could be made within twenty-four to thirty months after signing of the contract.



ORGAN CONSTRUCTION INFORMATION

Only the best material is used to construct our organs. The design of the case and the scaling of the pipes is in accordance with the architecture, size and acoustics of the room in which the organ is to be located.

All metal pipes for our organs are manufactured by Carl Giesecke & Sohn in West-Germany. They are known for their unsurpassed craftsmanship.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

- 1960-1963 Apprentice with Paul Ott, Goettingen, West-Germany
- 1963-1969 Journeyman years with Paul Ott and Holtkamp Organ Co.
- 1969 Master Organ Builder examination, West-Germany
- 1969-1973 Organ builder with Bosch Organ Co. of West-Germany and St. Louis.
- 1973 Formation of Martin Ott Pipe Organ Company, Inc.

Our company has grown steadily and I employ at present eight well-trained organ builders and office staff. We have a spacious shop with all necessary equipment at hand.

CONCLUSION

I hope this initial information will help you and your selecting committee at your present stage. I would also like to invite you to visit us in St. Louis for a firsthand inspection of our shop and to see and hear some of our organs. To see and hear them in their proper setting is most advantageous.

Again, thank you for your interest in my firm and I shall be looking forward to hearing from you again.

Martin Ott

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