

# CRUCIBLE SWITCHER #40

Switcher #40 was built for Crucible Steel Company in Syracuse NY during July, 1948. The locomotive had been used to switch railroad cars around the Town of Geddes plant until 2006. In 2013, it was donated to the CNY Chapter of the National Railway Historical Society.

General Electric

built 45 ton center cab switchers from 1940 to 1956. They are powered by two 150 hp Cummins 6 cylinder diesel engines, each driving a

generator which, in turn, drives one of the two traction motors – one per truck. In early models, the second axle on each truck was driven

with side rods. Later models had chain drives inside the trucks that served the same purpose. The Crucible locomotive is a side rod type.

**WEIGHT: 45 tons (90,000 pounds)**

**BUILT: 1948**

**BUILDER: General Electric Co.**

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