U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION Washington, D. C.

## NATURAL ICE SCHEDULED FOR SEASONAL EXEMPTION

A partial exemption for the natural ice harvesting and packing industry from the hours provision of the Fair Labor Standards Act as a seasonal industry was indicated today when Administrator Elmer F. Andrews of the Wage and Hour Division, U. S. Department of Labor, issued a preliminary determination that a prima facie case existed for classifying this industry as seasonal in nature. A fifteen-day period during which objectors may be heard will elapse before a final determination is made by the Administrator.

His action was taken on the recommendation of Merle D. Vincent,

Chief of the Hearings and Exemption Section of the Division, who acted on
the applications of a number of employers in the States of Wisconsin,

Minnesota, and Colorado.

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