

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
Wage and Hour Division
Washington

WAGE-HOUR SEASONAL EXEMPTION FOR BRICK MANUFACTURING IN
MAINE, VERMONT, AND NEW HAMPSHIRE GRANTED

Seasonal exemption from the hours provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act for the manufacture of brick in Maine, Vermont and New Hampshire as a branch of an industry of a seasonal nature was granted today by the Wage and Hour Division, U. S. Department of Labor. A committee representing brick manufacturers of the three states, applied for exemption of the manufacturing or processing of clay products (other than pottery), as a branch of an industry of a seasonal nature. A hearing was held before Harold Stein, Assistant Director of the Hearings Branch of the Wage and Hour Division, in Washington, on August 7, and the exemption granted today is based on Mr. Stein's findings. An application filed at the same time to have the manufacture of brick in the three southern New England States or in New England as a whole declared a branch of an industry of a seasonal nature was denied in Mr. Stein's determination.

Applications filed by the Chehalis Brick and Tile Company of Chehalis, Washington, and the Red River Valley Brick Corporation of Grand Forks, North Dakota, also were denied because Mr. Stein reported that they had failed to show the existence of any integrated and well-defined branches of the industry.

The exemption allows employees engaged in the manufacture of brick in the states of Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont to be employed up to 12 hours a day and 56 hours a week for a period not to exceed 14 workweeks in the aggregate of the year without payment of overtime. The exemption does not affect the requirement to pay the minimum of 30 cents an hour under the Fair Labor Standards Act.

Notice of the determination, giving an opportunity for any aggrieved person to petition for a review within fifteen days is contained in the Federal Register of November 25.

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