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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR  
WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION  
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SANDUSKY (O.) FIRM TENTATIVELY GRANTED SEASONAL EXEMPTION

A prima facie determination was issued today by the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, U. S. Department of Labor, including the Gottron Bros., a Sandusky, Ohio, firm in the northern branch of the crushed stone industry determined to be an industry of a seasonal nature on July 10. This is the first supplemental determination to be made in accordance with the provision therefor in the initial determination.

When the original determination was made allowing seasonal exemptions for the northern branch of the crushed stone industry, the findings stated that the determination was without prejudice to supplementary determinations enlarging the scope of the northern branch by including therein such plants or groups of plants, if any, as operate in the same manner and for the same reasons as the typical plants of the northern branch--in other words, that shut down substantially for about six months each year and completely for about five months each year because climatic factors make the quarrying of crushed stone impractical and dangerous.

Under the partial exemption granted for the northern branch of the industry, employers are permitted to work their employees up to 12 hours a day or 56 hours a week without the payment of overtime for 14 workweeks in the aggregate in any calendar year. The exemption does not in any way affect the requirement to pay the statutory minimum of 30 cents an hour or the child labor provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act.

If no petition for review is received by the Administrator from any interested person within 15 days (Federal Register, August 9) the prima facie determination shall become final.

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