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PUBLIC HEARING DECEMBER 11 ON MINIMUM WAGE FOR PORTABLE
LAMP AND SHADE INDUSTRY

A public hearing on the 40 cents an hour rate recommended by the Portable Lamp and Shade Industry Committee was announced today by Colonel Philip B. Fleming, Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division. (Federal Register, November 26, 1940) The hearing will be before Henry T. Hunt, Principal Hearings Examiner of the Wage and Hour Division, at 10 A.M., December 11, in Room 4332, Department of Labor Building, Washington.

The Portable Lamp and Shade Committee on November 18 filed a report with the Administrator recommending a forty cent minimum wage for both lamp and shade making. The industry covered by this recommendation is defined as:

"(a) The manufacturing, assembling, and decorating of lamps for illuminating purposes which can be moved from place to place and which can be plugged into electrical outlets by means of an extension cord and plug, excluding the manufacturing of parts for such lamps by any person other than the manufacturer, assembler, or decorator of such lamps.

"(b) The manufacturing, assembling, and decorating of lamp shades of any material except metal, glass, or plastic."

The definition covers all employees including clerical, maintenance, shipping and selling, but does not include employees of an independent wholesaler, or employees of a manufacturer, assembler, or decorator who are engaged exclusively in marketing and distributing products of the industry which have been purchased for resale.

Persons interested in appearing at the hearing, either supporting or opposing the Committee's recommendation are requested to file notice of intention to appear with the Administrator prior to December 6, 1940. This notice should contain the name and address of the person appearing; the name and address of the person or

persons whom he is representing, if any; whether he is appearing for or against the recommendation of the Committee; and the approximate length of time his presentation will take.

Copies of the Committee's Report will be available for inspection at the Wage and Hour offices throughout the country. Copies of the economic data relating to the Portable Lamp and Shade Industry, compiled by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor, and the Research and Statistics Branch of the Wage and Hour Division will be available for inspection upon request. Further information may be obtained by writing to the Administrator, or by consultation with attorneys representing the Administrator who will be available for that purpose at the offices of the Wage and Hour Division in Washington, D. C.

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