

A seasonal exemption from the hours provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act for the combined dehydrating and milling of artificially dried alfalfa into meal was made final in a finding issued today (Federal Register December 5, 1940) by Colonel Philip B. Fleming, Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, U. S. Department of Labor.

A preliminary determination published November 15, 1940, made on applications filed by Saunders Mills, Inc., of Walbridge, Ohio, the Arizona Flor Mills, Phoenix, Arizona and others, stated that a prima facie case existed for granting the exemption. No objection or request for hearing having been received within 15 days after publication of this original determination it was made final.

Under this seasonal exemption the exempt processes may be carried on up to 12 hours a day or 56 hours a week for a period or periods not exceeding 14 workweeks in any calendar year without payment of overtime. The requirement to pay at least 30 cents an hour is not affected.

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