U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION 165 W. 46th St. New York, N. Y.

WAGE ORDER SIGNED FOR PUERTO RICAN R.R. AND PROPERTY CARRIER INDUSTRY

A wage order establishing a 20-cent per hour minimum wage in the Fuerto Rican railroad and property carrier industry, effective April 7, was signed today by L. Letcalfe Walling, Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, U. S. Department of Labor.

The order was recommended by a committee, named by the Administrator, which studied economic conditions in the industry. The recommendation, signed by four of the six members of the committee, was filed with the Administrator in January, 1942.

The committee was appointed by the Administrator under provisions of an amendment to the Fair Labor Standards Act which authorizes the Administrator, upon recommendation of a committee, to establish minimum wages in Puerto Rico at rates lower than the general 30-cents an hour requirement of the law.

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