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Labour and Industry Act 1953.

DETERMINATION OF A WAGES BOARD ADJUSTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 33 OF THE LABOUR AND INDUSTRY ACT 1953.

I, Henry Norman Jones, Secretary for Labour and Industry, in pursuance of the powers conferred by the Labour and Industry Act, hereby make and issue the following adjusted Determination of the Wages Board referred to hereunder showing adjusted rates and prices to operate from the beginning of the first pay period to commence in November, 1955.

Dated at Melbourne, this
22nd day of December, 1955.

H. N. JONES,
Secretary for Labour and Industry.

COAL AND COKE BOARD.

Clause 2 of Part 1 and clause 1 (a) of Part 2 of the Determination made on the 14th June, 1955, and in force as from the beginning of the first pay period to commence on or after the 12th May, 1955, shall be replaced by the following clauses:—

PART 1.—Persons OTHER THAN those employed in the process, trade, business, or occupation of burning, preparing, grinding, grading, or distributing charcoal in a form suitable for use in power-producing or heat-producing units; in the manufacture of explosives or in the manufacture, repair, or maintenance of gas masks or respirators.

2. (a)		WAGES PER WEEK.	
Improvers.		Other Employees.	
	Percentage of Basic Wage.		<i>s. d.</i>
		<i>s. d.</i>	
Under 17 years of age	67	185 0	
17 years of age	79	194 6	
18 years of age	91	224 0	
19 years of age or over—the appropriate rate prescribed under the heading "other employees".			
PROPORTION.			
One improver to the first six workers, and thereafter one improver to every ten workers receiving not less than 260s. 6d. per week.			
			<i>s. d.</i>
			365 0
			309 0
			299 0
			306 4
			299 0
			299 0
			299 0
			299 0
			321 0
			332 0
			308 2
			269 8
			269 6
			282 0
			289 0
			294 0
			297 0
			282 0
			291 6
			301 0
			292 0

NOTE.—The Board has determined that the trade is so unskilled that no apprentices shall be taken in the trade.

(b) *Gas Producer Units.*—The following provisions shall apply to drivers of gas producer units :—

- (i) Driver of a motor vehicle fitted and operated with a charcoal gas producer unit for each day or portion thereof upon which he is called upon to drive such vehicle, 1s. extra.
- (ii) Such driver for each day or portion thereof upon which he is called upon to clean the hopper and/or final filter of such unit, 1s. extra.
- (iii) Suitable overalls and gloves shall be provided by employers for the employees mentioned in sub-clauses (i) and (ii) hereof.
- (iv) Employers shall provide proper washing conveniences for such employees, and also hot water or some other efficient cleansing material.

PART 2.—Persons employed in the process, trade, business, or occupation of burning, preparing, grinding, grading, or distributing charcoal, in a form suitable for use in power-producing or heat-producing units ; in the manufacture of explosives or in the manufacture, repair, or maintenance of gas masks or respirators.

1. (a)			WAGES PER WEEK OF 40 HOURS.	
Improvers.			Other Employees.	
—	Percentage of Basic Wage.	—	<i>s. d.</i>	
		<i>s. d.</i>	Wood cutters, using axe, power crosscut circular saw, or other method	279 8
			Carters driving one horse	269 6
			Carters driving two horses	282 0
			Carters driving three horses	289 0
			Carters driving four horses	294 0
			Carters driving five horses	297 0
			And 2s. extra per day for every additional horse.	
			Drivers of vehicle (including girlinger) having maker's capacity of—	
			(a) 25 cwt. or less	282 0
			(b) Over 25 cwt., but not over 3 tons	291 6
			(c) Over 3 tons, but under 6 tons	301 0
			Further tonnage—for each complete ton over 5 an extra per 2s. 6d. week. Charcoal burning by retorts, metal or brick kilns, or pits—	
			(a) Operator in charge of plant	294 8
			(b) All other employees, including persons employed in emptying, bagging, sewing, stacking, or loading	284 8
			Grinding or grading charcoal—	
			(a) Attendant in charge of plant—	
			(i) With four or more persons under his supervision	304 8
			(ii) With three or fewer persons under his supervision	300 8
			(b) All other persons, including those engaged in grinding, grading, or bagging charcoal or sewing bags	294 8
Under 17 years of age	65	160 0		
17 years of age	77	189 6		
18 years of age	87	214 0		
19 years of age or over—the appropriate rate prescribed under the heading "other employees".				
PROPORTION (BY ANY EMPLOYER).				
One improver to the first six workers, and thereafter one additional improver to every ten additional workers receiving not less than 269s. 6d. per week.				
NOTE. —The Board determines that no person shall be employed as an apprentice.				

Clauses, other than clause 2 of Part 1 and clause 1 (a) of Part 2, of the said Determination shall remain in force.