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An InFO contains valuable information for operators that should help them meet certain administrative, regulatory, or operational requirements with relatively low urgency or impact on safety.

Subject: Flight Crewmembers Exceeding Flight Time Limitations

Purpose: This InFO provides guidance to air carriers, operators, and flight crewmembers regarding the conduct of “other commercial flying” by flight crewmembers.

Background: It has been brought to the FAA’s attention that some flight crewmembers have been conducting operations for multiple employers. The FAA defines this as “other commercial flying”. While this is permissible under the regulations, this flight time needs to be counted toward their flight time limitations under both part 121 and part 135.

Recommended action: The director of safety and director of operations (part 121) and director of operations (part 135) should accomplish the following:

- Ensure that their manuals provide instruction and information to flight crewmembers addressing the reporting of “other commercial flying”
- Have a process in place to ensure that “other commercial flying” is included in the flight time totals of the air carrier’s records in order to preclude any violations of the flight time limitations

Outlook: The FAA is developing a plan to conduct a “Special Emphasis” inspection of part 121 and part 135 operators to review the operators’ processes and procedures for tracking their pilots’ flight time in all commercial operations.