- (ii) Five supervised PIC flights in a powered glider on the approved areas of operation of proposed § 61.127(h).
- (10) Revises the aeronautical experience requirements for the balloon to:
- a. Accomplish and log at least 35 hours of flight time as a pilot, which includes at least the following requirements—

(i) Twenty hours in balloons;

- (ii) Ten flights in balloons; and (iii) Two flights in balloons as the PIC.
- b. Ten hours of flight training that includes 10 flights of flight training in balloons on the approved areas of operation of proposed § 61.127(j), which consist of at least—
- (i) If the training is received in a gas balloon, the training must include at least—
- A. Two flights of 1 hour each in a gas balloon;
- B. One flight in a gas balloon involving a controlled ascent to 10,000 feet above the surface:
- C. Two flights in a gas balloon, in preparation for the practical test within the 60-day period preceding the date of the test; and
- D. Two supervised PIC flights in a gas balloon on the approved areas of operation in proposed § 61.127(j).
- (ii) If the training is received in a balloon with an airborne heater, the training must include at least—
- A. Two flights of 30 minutes each in a balloon with an airborne heater;
- B. One flight involving a controlled ascent to 5,000 feet above the surface in a balloon with an airborne heater; and
- C. Two flights in a balloon with an airborne heater, in preparation for the practical test within the 60-day period preceding the date of the test; and
- D. Two supervised PIC flights in a balloon with an airborne heater on the approved areas of operation in proposed § 61.127(j).
- (11) Permits the use of a turbine powered airplane in lieu of the current provision for receiving training in an airplane that has flaps, retractable landing gear, and controllable propellers.
- (12) Replaces the terms "free balloon" and "hot air balloon" with "balloon" only.
- (13) Deletes references to the phrase "hot air balloon without airborne heaters," and classifies balloons as "gas balloons" and "balloons with airborne heaters." The phrase "hot air balloon without an airborne heaters" describes a balloon that is no longer available. A "hot air balloon without an airborne heater" describes a balloon that involved heating the air inside the balloon's envelope from a ground-based

fire, then the balloon and its occupant ascend until the balloon deflates, and then the occupant exits the balloon by parachute.

Section 61.131 Exceptions to the Night Flying Requirements for the Commercial Pilot Certificate

Proposed § 61.131 would be a new section and entitled, "Exceptions to the night flying requirements for the commercial pilot certificate." This proposal would delete the exception for applicants not seeking night flying privileges; however, an applicant with a medical restriction from operating an aircraft at night would not be required to meet the night flight training requirements and would be issued a certificate with a limitation. In addition, an applicant who accomplishes flight training in Alaska would have 12 months after the issuance of the applicant's temporary airman certificate to comply with the night flight training requirements.

The current provisions of § 61.131 "Rotorcraft ratings: Aeronautical experience" would be moved to proposed § 61.129.

Section 61.133 Commercial Pilot Privileges and Limitations: General

Proposed § 61.133 "Commercial pilot privileges and limitations: General" would be a redesignation of existing § 61.139. The current provisions of § 61.133 "Glider rating: Aeronautical experience" would be moved to proposed § 61.129.

The significant proposed changes in this section are as follows:

- (1) Clarifies the privileges for persons who hold a commercial pilot certificate regarding the compensation or hire issue. This revision is in response to a petition for rulemaking from Beverly J. Cameron, who on June 20, 1992, petitioned the FAA to revise the rule. Ms. Cameron stated that the current wording of § 61.139 was misleading. The FAA agrees, and thus has proposed to revise § 61.139.
- (2) Eliminates the privilege in existing § 61.139 for commercial pilots with a lighter-than-air category and associated class rating to give training in an airship or a free balloon, because of the proposed flight instructor certificate for the lighter-than-air category.
- (3) Adds the limitation that is in existing § 61.129, which prohibits commercial pilots with an airplane category rating, but without an instrument-airplane rating, from carrying passengers for hire in airplanes on cross-country flights of more than 50 nautical miles or at night, would appear in this section. The same limitation is

- proposed for commercial pilots with a lighter-than-air category and an airship class rating but without an instrument—airship rating, and commercial pilots with a powered-lift category rating but without a instrument—powered-lift rating.
- (4) Revises "hot air balloon without airborne heaters," in existing § 61.139, to "gas balloons" and "balloons with airborne heaters." The purpose for this proposal is to align the phraseology in this section with the other references to balloons throughout this notice.
- (5) Revises the wording for the operating limitations that restrict the pilot privileges for the kind of balloon in which the person accomplishes the practical test. The person may remove the limitation by completing the required aeronautical experience in a gas balloon or a balloon with an airborne heater, as appropriate, and receives a logbook endorsement from an authorized instructor who attests to the person's accomplishment of the required aeronautical experience and ability to satisfactorily operate the specific kind of balloon.

Section 61.135 [Reserved]

The current provisions of § 61.135 "Airship rating: Aeronautical experience" would be moved to proposed § 61.129.

Section 61.137 [Reserved]

The current provisions of § 61.137 "Free balloon rating: Aeronautical experience" would be moved to proposed § 61.129.

Section 61.139 [Reserved]

The current provisions of $\S 61.139$ "Commercial pilot privileges and limitations: General" would be moved to proposed $\S 61.133$.

Section 61.141 [Reserved]

The current provisions of § 61.141 "Airship and free balloon ratings: Limitation" would be moved to proposed § 61.133.

Subpart G—Airline Transport Pilots

The proposal to establish separate subparts for student and recreational pilot certificates would require the regulations for ATP certificates to be relocated from subpart F to subpart G.

Section 61.151 Applicability

In order to align this subpart with the other subparts, the FAA proposes to establish an applicability section in subpart G.