

## Aspen Technology Changes Date of Earnings Release to September 13, 2005

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CAMBRIDGE, Mass.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Aug. 29, 2005--Aspen Technology, Inc. (Nasdaq: AZPN), the leading provider of software and services to the process industries, today announced it has changed the date it plans to release its financial results for its fourth quarter of fiscal 2005, ended June 30, 2005. The Company had previously announced that it intended to issue its quarterly and fiscal year earnings on August 30, 2005. AspenTech now anticipates it will report its fourth quarter results concurrently with the filing of its Form 10-K on September 13, 2005 at 5:00 p.m. EST in order to allow additional time for the Company and its auditors to complete the year-end audit.

## About AspenTech

Aspen Technology, Inc. provides industry-leading software and professional services that help process companies improve efficiency and profitability by enabling them to model, manage and control their operations. The new generation of integrated aspenONE(TM) solutions are aligned with the key industry business processes, providing manufacturers the capabilities they need to optimize operational performance, make real-time decisions and synchronize the plant and supply chain. Over 1,500 leading companies already rely on AspenTech's software, including Aventis, Bayer, BASF, BP, ChevronTexaco, DuPont, ExxonMobil, Fluor, GlaxoSmithKline, Shell, and Total. For more information, visit www.aspentech.com.

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