



## **AspenTech to Present at the Needham & Company Eighth Annual Growth Conference**

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CAMBRIDGE, Mass.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Jan. 5, 2006--Aspen Technology, Inc. (Nasdaq:AZPN), a leading provider of software and services to the process industries, announced its CEO, Mark Fusco, and CFO, Chuck Kane, will present at the Needham & Company Eighth Annual Growth Conference on Friday, January 13, 2006 in New York City.

Aspen's presentation will begin at 9:30 am EST and an audio webcast will be available in the Investor Relations section of the company's website ([www.aspentech.com](http://www.aspentech.com)).

### **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. AspenTech's 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 Bayer, BASF, BP, Chevron Corporation, DuPont, ExxonMobil, Fluor, GlaxoSmithKline, Sanofi-Aventis, Shell, and Total. For more information, visit [www.aspentech.com](http://www.aspentech.com).

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