FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT	OF CHA	NGES IN B	ENEFICIAL	OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC /DE/ [AZPN							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)										
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(Last)	(F	irst) (Middle)		, 1										X	Office	er (give title v)		Other below)	(specify	
C/O ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC.				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/30/2010								President and CEO									
200 WHEELER ROAD																					
(Street)					4. If										6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)						
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		Tabl	e I - No	n-Deriv	ative	Sec	uritie	s Acc	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or	Bene	eficia	ally	Owne	ed				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da						Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acqui Disposed Of (D) (In 5)					Securities Beneficially		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)					
									Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	Trans		action(s) 3 and 4)			(msu. 4)	
Common Stock 09/30/2					/2010				F		14,116	(1)	D	\$10	0.3	528,605		D			
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																				
Derivative Conversion Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year)				nsaction of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		str. 3	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions (Instr. 4)	Owne Form Direct or Ind (I) (Ins	t (D) lirect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)					
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Explanation of Responses:

1. Shares withheld by Registrant to satisfy statutory tax withholding requirements on vesting of Restricted Stock Units and distribution of stock.

/s/ F. G. Hammond, Attorney-10/04/2010 in-Fact

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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