As filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 11, 2001 Registration No. 333-63439

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 1

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FORM S-3

Registration Statement Under the Securities Act of 1933

ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE (State or other jurisdiction of 04-2739697

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

incorporation or organization)

Ten Canal Park Cambridge, Massachusetts 02141 (617) 949-1000

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

LAWRENCE B. EVANS

Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer Aspen Technology, Inc. Ten Canal Park

Cambridge, Massachusetts 02141

(617) 949-1000

(Name, address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

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This registrant hereby withdraws from registration all of its 5 1/4% convertible subordinated debentures due June 15, 2005 registered pursuant to its registration statement on Form S-3 (registration number 333-63439) and not sold as of the time of filing of this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant has duly caused this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Registration Statement on Form S-3 to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Cambridge, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, as of January 10, 2001.

ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC.

By: /s/ Lisa A. Zappala

Lisa A. Zappala Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Registration Statement has been signed as of January 10, 2001 by the following persons in the capacities indicated.

Signature 	Title
* awrence B. Evans	Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)
s/ Lisa W. Zappala isa W. Zappala	Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)
* loseph F. Boston	Director
* Gresham T. Brebach, Jr.	Director
* Douglas R. Brown	Director
itephen L. Brown	Director
tephen M. Jennings	Director
loan C. McArdle	Director
By: /s/ Lisa W. Zappala	
Lisa W. Zappala Attorney-in-fact	