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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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	ress of Reporting Pers GLOBAL PGG GHIP		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC /DE/</u> [AZPN]		ionship of Reporting Person all applicable) Director Officer (give title below) X	n(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify below)		
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ADVENT INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/17/2006		Member of group	> 10%		
75 STATE STREET, 29TH FLOOR			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applic Line)				
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			4. Securities / Disposed Of (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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(11311.4)
Common Stock	05/17/2006		С		42,000	Α	\$3.33	42,000	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)		of Deriv	r osed) r. 3, 4	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		e Amount of		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Series D-1 Convertible Preferred Stock	\$3.33 ⁽¹⁾	05/17/2006		С			420	(2)	(2)	common stock	42,000	\$0.00	3,784	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Each of the Series D-1 shares is convertible into a number of shares of common stock equal to its stated value of \$333.00 per share (subject to adjustment) divided by the conversion price of \$3.33 per share (subject to adjustment).

2. Shares may be converted into common stock at any time and on a perpetual basis.

Remarks:

<u>/s/ Jarlyth H. Gibson, Assistant</u> Compliance Officer <u>05/18/2006</u>

Compliance Officer

** 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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