FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* FUSCO MARK | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC /DE/ [AZPN | | | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) | | | | | 2 Date of Feelingt Transaction (Marth (Day)) | | | | | | | | | | , | Othe | Owner r (specify v) | | |
| C/O ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC. 10 CANAL PARK | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/10/2005 | | | | | | | | | President and CEO | | | | | | |
| (Street) | IDGE M | IA (|)2141 | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | ne) X For For | ′ | | | | |
| (City) | (5 | itate) (| Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | Pei | 5011 | | | |
| | | Tabl | e I - Nor | n-Deriva | ative S | Secu | uritie | s Acq | uired, | Disp | osed o | f, oı | Bene | ficia | lly Own | ed | | | |
| Date | | | 2. Transa Date (Month/D | Execut Day/Year) if any | | ecution any | Deemed ecution Date, ny onth/Day/Year) | | Transaction Dis Code (Instr. 5) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5) | | | d Secu Bene | ficially ed Following | 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) | | (11150.4) | | |
| Common Stock 05/10 | | | | /2005 | | P | | 2,500 | | A | \$4. | 37 | 2,500 | D | | | | | |
| Common Stock 05/10 | | | | 05/10/ | /2005 | | P | | 2,500 | | A | \$4. | 38 | 5,000 | D | | | | |
| Common Stock 05/12/ | | | | /2005 | | | P | | 1,500 | | A | \$4. | 6,500 | | D | | | | |
| | | Та | uble II - C | | | | | | | | sed of, onvertib | | | | / Owned | I | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | rivative Conversion or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any | | Date, | 1. Fransact Code (In 3) | action (Instr. Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Expiration Date Expiration | | | Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) | | unt | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4 | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

/s/ Mark Fusco

05/12/2005

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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