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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>KOTZABASAKIS MANOLIS E</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC.</u> <u>200 WHEELER ROAD</u> (Street) <u>BURLINGTON MA 01803</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC /DE/ [AZPN]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>SVP, Sales & Business Dev.</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>11/09/2009</u>	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

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)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	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			
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	11/09/2009		A		72,000	A	\$0.00 ⁽²⁾	80,263	D	
Common Stock ⁽³⁾	11/09/2009		F		7,145	D	\$9.55	73,118	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	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
Common Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$9.55	11/09/2009		A		9,600		(4)	11/08/2019	Common Stock	9,600	\$0.00	499,758	D	
Common Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$9.55	11/09/2009		A		5,760		(5)	11/08/2019	Common Stock	5,760	\$0.00	505,518	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Aspen Technology, Inc. common stock.
- Restricted stock units do not have an exercise price.
- Shares withheld by Registrant to satisfy statutory tax withholding requirements on vesting of restricted stock units and distribution of stock.
- The option granted at the exercise price of \$9.55 was fully vested on the date of grant.
- The option was granted at the exercise price of \$9.55 and vests in 6 equal quarterly installments beginning on the last day of the first quarter of 2010.

/s/ F. G. Hammond, Attorney-in-Fact 11/12/2009

** 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).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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