FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Hammond F G					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC /DE/ [ AZPN ]								k all app Direc Office	ctor er (give title		10% Ov	wner			
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC. 20 CROSBY DRIVE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/10/2021							A	below	or VP & (	Genera	below)	el			
(Street) BEDFOR			1730 Zip)		4. If A									6. Ind Line) X	·					
		Table	I - Nor	n-Deriva	tive S	Secu	rities	Acq	uired,	Dis	osed of	, or E	Benef	iciall	y Own	ed				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transact Date (Month/Day)				Execution Date,		3. 4. Securities Acquire Disposed Of (D) (Inst 5)					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)					
			Code			v	Amount	t (A) or (D)		rice	Transa	ansaction(s) str. 3 and 4)			(msur 4)					
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup> 10/10/2					/2021				A		3,974	A		\$ <mark>0</mark> (2)	30,092			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)	ve Conversion Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		Code (8)	Transaction of Code (Instr. Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date Expiration Exercisable Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Inst: 3 and 4)  Amour or Numbe of Title Shares		De Se (In	Price of trivative curity str. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		0. Dwnership orm: Direct (D) r Indirect ) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)					

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Aspen Technology, Inc. common stock. Vesting of these Restricted Stock Units is subject to the Closing under the Transaction Agreement and Plan of Merger dated as of October 10, 2021 by and among the Company, Emerson Electric Co., a Missouri corporation ("Emerson"), EMR Worldwide Inc., a Delaware corporation, Emersub CX, Inc., a Delaware corporation and Emersub CXI, Inc., a Delaware corporation. Twenty-five percent of the Restricted Stock Units shall vest upon the Closing and seventy-five percent of the Restricted Stock Units shall vest on the first day of the 18th month following the month in which the Closing occurs.

2. The Restricted Stock Units were received as a grant for no consideration.

10/13/2021 /s/ F. G. Hammond

\*\* 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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