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# FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> Wheeler Blair			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC /DE/</u> [ AZPN ]		tionship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)		
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC. 200 WHEELER ROAD			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/28/2009	SVP, Marketing			
(Street) BURLINGTON (City)	MA (State)	01803 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	idual or Joint/Group Fili Form filed by One Re Form filed by More th Person	porting Person	

## 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)			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	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1130.4)
Common Stock	04/28/2009		М		750	Α	(1)	5,725	D	
Common Stock <sup>(2)</sup>	04/28/2009		F		285	D	<b>\$6.75</b>	5,440	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 Ex		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	Amount or Number of Shares				
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	04/28/2009		М			750	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	750	(1)	3,750	D	

### Explanation of Responses:

1. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Aspen Technology, Inc. common stock.

2. Shares withheld by Registrant to satisfy statutory tax withholding requirements on vesting of restricted stock units and distribution of stock.

3. The restricted stock unit vested as to 25% on achievement of specified performance goals in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007 and the balance vests in 12 equal quarterly installments thereafter.

#### /s/ F. G. Hammond, Attorney-04/30/2009 in-Fact \*\* 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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