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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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* Whelan, Jr. Robert M.						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC /DE/ [AZPN								Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner				
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC. 20 CROSBY DRIVE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/05/2016									Office	er (give title w)	Other below	(specify
(Street) BEDFORD MA 01730 (City) (State) (Zip)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								i. Indiv ine) X	ridual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
		Tabl	e I - N	Non-Deriv	ative/	Sec	uritie	s Ac	quire	ed, Di	sposed o	f, or E	enefici	ally (Owne	ed		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Yo					Execution Date,						Acquired (A) or f (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		d 5) Sec Ben Owr		ount of ities ficially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 05/05/201					016	16			S		4,041	D	\$37.62	84(1)	10,572		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)	erivative Conversion Date Execution Date, curity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any				Transaction Code (Instr.		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)			and t of ies ying ive y (Instr. 3	8. Pri Deriv Secu (Insti	rity	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerc	cisable	Expiration Date	Title	or Number of Shares					

Explanation of Responses:

1. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$37.56 to \$37.67, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Aspen Technology, Inc., any security holder of Aspen Technology, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.

/s/ F.G. Hammond, attorney-infact for Mr. Whelan 05/09/2016

** 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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