FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

JENNINGS STEPHEN M					ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC/DE/ [ AZPN ]								X Directo		10% Owner			
(Last) (First) (Middle) ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC.					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/04/2011								Officer below)	(give title		Other (specifically below)	pecify	
200 WHEELER ROAD				4. 1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									idual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable				
(Street) BURLINGTON MA 01803											Lin	X Form f	Form filed by One Reporting Persor Form filed by More than One Repor Person					
(City)	(5	State)	(Zip)															
		Tak	le I - N	on-Der	ivativ	e Sec	curit	ties Ac	quire	d, Di	sposed o	f, or Be	neficial	ly Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Yea		Execution Date,		ecution Date, ny		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 ar		Securition Beneficition Owned I	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		Direct ondirect Er. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
						Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(Instr. 4)			
Common Stock				11/04	11/04/2011				M		10,775	A	\$2.32	26	5,984		)	
Common Stock			11/04/2011					M		8,000	A	\$2.32	34	,984		)		
Common Stock				11/04	1/2011				M		6,000	A	\$7.4	40	,984 I		)	
Common Stock 11/04				/2011	2011			S		24,775(4)	D	\$17.74	05 16	5,209		)		
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	if any	med on Date, 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 Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y		ate	7. Title and of Securiti Underlying Derivative (Instr. 3 and	ies g Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	y O F D o (I)	0. Dwnership orm: Direct (D) r Indirect ) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$2.32	11/04/2011			M			10,775	(1)		12/09/2012	Common Stock	10,775	\$0	0		D	
Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$2.32	11/04/2011			M			8,000	(2)		12/09/2012	Common Stock	8,000	\$0	0		D	
Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$7.4	11/04/2011			M			6,000	(3)		11/30/2012	Common Stock	6,000	\$0	0		D	

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. On the grant date, the option granted at the exercise price of \$2.32 was scheduled to vest and become exercisable in sixteen equal quarterly installments commencing at the end of the first full quarter following the grant date. The option became fully exercisable on August 14, 2003 upon the occurrence of a change in control as defined under the terms of the option plan, as amended.
- 2. On the grant date, the option granted at the exercise price of \$2.32 was scheduled to vest and become exercisable in four equal installments provided the optionee remained a director. The first installment vested and became exercisable on the third anniversary of the grant date and the three subsequent installments vested on the last day of the next three subsequent quarters. The option became fully exercisable on August 14, 2003 upon the occurrence of a change in control as defined under the terms of the option plan, as amended.
- 3. The option granted at the exercise price of \$7.40 was fully vested on the date of grant.
- 4. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$17.51 to \$17.80, 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.

<u>/s/ F.G. Hammond, Attorney-</u> <u>In-Fact</u> <u>11/08/2011</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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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