UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 15, 2007

ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware(State or Other
Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

0-24786 (Commission File Number)

04-2739697 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

Ten Canal Park, Cambridge MA (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

02141 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (617) 949-1000

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 3.01. Notice of Delisting or Failure to Satisfy a Continued Listing Rule or Standard; Transfer of Listing.

On February 15, 2007, we received a letter from The Nasdaq Stock Market indicating that we are not in compliance with the Nasdaq requirements for continued listing set forth in Marketplace Rule 4310(c)(14) as a result of our failure to file our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended December 31, 2006 with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The letter further stated that, as a result of such non-compliance, our common stock is subject to delisting from the Nasdaq Global Market.

Nasdaq rules permit us to request a hearing with a Nasdaq Listing Qualifications Panel to appeal Nasdaq's decision to delist our common stock. We have requested such a hearing. Our common stock will remain listed on the Nasdaq Global Market pending the outcome of our appeal. We are working diligently to complete the preparation of our financial statements for the fiscal quarter ended December 31, 2006 and to file our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q as promptly as possible. We cannot, however, provide any assurances that the Nasdaq Listing Qualifications Panel will grant our request for continued listing.

On February 16, 2007, we issued a press release announcing that we received the letter from The Nasdaq Stock Market described in this Current Report on Form 8-K. The full text of the press release issued in connection with this announcement is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release issued by Aspen Technology, Inc. on February 16, 2007

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC.

Date: February 16, 2007 By: /s/ Frederic G. Hammond

Frederic G. Hammond

Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

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Press release issued by Aspen Technology, Inc. on February 16, 2007

Aspen Technology Receives Staff Determination from Nasdaq

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. - February 16, 2007 - Aspen Technology (Nasdaq: AZPN) today announced that it received a Nasdaq Staff Determination on February 15, 2007, indicating that the Company fails to comply with the filing requirements for continued listing set forth in Marketplace Rule 4310(c)(14) as a result of its failure to file timely with the Securities and Exchange Commission its quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended December 31, 2006, and that the Company's securities are therefore subject to delisting from The Nasdaq Global Market. The Company has requested a hearing before a Nasdaq Listing Qualifications Panel to review the Staff Determination. There can be no assurance that the Panel will grant the Company's request for continued listing.

The delay in AspenTech's filing of its Form 10-Q is attributed to the previously announced intention to restate the historical financial statements for fiscal 2004 through fiscal 2006, and the first quarter of fiscal 2007, which must be completed before the company is able to file the Form 10-Q. The Company is working diligently to complete its quarterly report on Form 10-Q.

About AspenTech

AspenTech is a recognized expert and leading provider of award-winning process optimization software and services. AspenTech's integrated aspenONETM solutions enable manufacturers to reduce costs, increase capacity, and optimize operational performance end-to-end throughout the engineering, plant operations, and supply chain management processes, resulting in millions of dollars in cost savings. For more information, visit www.aspentech.com.

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This press release may contain forward-looking statements for purposes of the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Actual results may vary significantly from AspenTech's expectations based on a number of risks and uncertainties, including, without limitation: AspenTech's plan to improve operational performance may not be implemented effectively; AspenTech has identified material weaknesses in its internal controls with respect to software license revenue recognition and other matters, that, if not remedied effectively, could result in material misstatements; risks around securities litigation and investigations; AspenTech's lengthy sales cycle makes it difficult to predict quarterly operating results; fluctuations in AspenTech's quarterly operating results; AspenTech's dependence on customers in the cyclical chemicals, petrochemicals and petroleum industries; the possibility of new accounting standards or the interpretation of existing accounting standards affecting our financial results; AspenTech's ability to raise additional capital as required; intense competition; AspenTech's need to develop and market products successfully; reliance on relationships with strategic partners; challenges associated with international operations; and other risk factors described from time to time in AspenTech's periodic reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. AspenTech cannot guarantee any future results, levels of

activity, performance, or achievements. AspenTech expressly disclaims any current intention to update forward-looking statements after the date of this press release.

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