

JENNINGS STEPHEN M  
Form 4  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
JENNINGS STEPHEN M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC /DE/  
[AZPN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC., 200  
WHEELER ROAD  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
09/07/2011

\_\_\_\_ Director  
\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below)  
\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

BURLINGTON, MA 01803

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |   |               | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |            |       |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|---------------|---|--|-----------------------------------|------------|-------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | Code  | V | Amount        |   |  |                                   | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Stock                    | 09/07/2011                           |  | M                              |   |   | 8,000         | A   | \$ 15.04   | 24,209                            | D          |       |
| Common Stock                    | 09/07/2011                           |  | M                              |   |   | 3,253         | A   | \$ 15.04   | 27,462                            | D          |       |
| Common Stock                    | 09/07/2011                           |  | S                              |   |   | 11,253<br>(3) | D   | \$ 16.6627   | 16,209                            | D          |       |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 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) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)       | \$ 15.04   | 09/07/2011                           |  | M                              | 8,000   | (1) 12/10/2011   | Common Stock  | 8,000                         |
| Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)       | \$ 15.04   | 09/07/2011                           |  | M                              | 3,253   | (2) 12/10/2011   | Common Stock  | 3,253                         |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| JENNINGS STEPHEN M<br>ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC.<br>200 WHEELER ROAD<br>BURLINGTON, MA 01803 |               |           |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ F.G. Hammond,  
Attorney-In-Fact

09/08/2011

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* 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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On the grant date, the option granted at the exercise price of \$15.04 was scheduled to vest and become exercisable in four equal installments beginning with the third anniversary of the grant date, provided the optionee remained a director. 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) The option granted at the exercise price of \$15.04 was fully vested on the date of grant.

The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from

- (3) \$16.6593 to \$16.67, 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.

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