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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **FUSCO MARK** Issuer Symbol ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC /DE/ (Check all applicable) [AZPN] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, 07/29/2008 President and CEO INC., 200 WHEELER ROAD (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting **BURLINGTON, MA 01803**

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1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of 6. Ownership Securities Form: Direct		7. Nature of Indirect	
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	07/29/2008		M	6,250	A	<u>(1)</u>	45,254	D	
Common Stock (2)	07/29/2008		F	1,985	D	\$ 11.98	43,269	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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number one 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. P Derr Seco (Ins
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	07/29/2008		M	6,250	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	6,250	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
FUSCO MARK C/O ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC. 200 WHEELER ROAD BURLINGTON, MA 01803	X		President and CEO				

Signatures

/s/ F. G. Hammond, Attorney-in-Fact 07/31/2008

**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).
- (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.

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