ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC /DE/ Form 8-K February 05, 2018

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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#### 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 5, 2018

#### ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 0-24786 04-2739697 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

20 Crosby Drive, Bedford, MA 01730 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (781) 221-6400

(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))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Emerging growth company o

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On February 5, 2018, we completed our acquisition of the group companies of Apex Optimisation that develop and offer dynamic optimization and advanced process control software and services, including Generic Dynamic Optimisation Technology software or GDOT. The purchase price for the acquisition was \$23.0 million in cash. GDOT software aligns Advanced Process Control (APC) with Planning & Scheduling, enabling unified production optimization for refineries and petrochemical companies in complex industrial environments. We did not acquire Apex Optimisation's Australian services operations, which will be conducted by an independent entity under the new name of Greenfern Dynamics Pty.

On February 5, 2018, we issued a press release announcing the acquisition. The full text of the press release issued in connection with the acquisition is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K. Neither Exhibit 99.1 nor any information contained therein shall 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 either Exhibit 99.1 or any information therein 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.

The following exhibit relating to Item 8.01 shall be deemed to be furnished, and not filed as part of this Current Report on Form 8-K:

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release issued by Aspen Technology, Inc. on February 5, 2018

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### **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 5, 2018 By: /s/ Frederic G. Hammond

Frederic G. Hammond

Senior Vice President, General Counsel and

Secretary

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