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	FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549							OMMISSION	OMB Number:	3235-0287	
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(Print or Type	Responses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> FUSCO MARK			Symbol					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC /DE/ [AZPN]					(Check all applicable)			
(Last) ASPEN TE WHEELEE	ECHNOLOGY, IN	Middle) IC., 200		of Earliest T Day/Year) 2012	ransaction			Director Officer (give t below) Presi		Owner er (specify	
				ed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
BURLING	TON, MA 01803							Form filed by Mo Form filed by Mo Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)		Transaction Date 2A. Deemed onth/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactions Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or				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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	05/24/2012			Code V M	Amount 35,970	(D) A	Price \$ 5.27	(1150.3 and 4) 381,274	D		
Common Stock	05/24/2012			S	35,970 (2)	D	\$ 21.8148	345,304	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)			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 5.27	05/24/2012		М		35,970	<u>(1)</u>	09/14/2015	Common Stock	35,970

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
FUSCO MARK ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC. 200 WHEELER ROAD BURLINGTON, MA 01803			President & CEO					
Signatures								
/s/ F.G. Hammond, Attorney-In-Fact		05/29/2012						
**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).
- The option, representing a right to purchase 500,000 shares, became exercisable in 16 consecutive equal quarterly installments beginning
 (1) on December 31, 2005. The option was exercised as to 19,754 shares on May 8, 2012; as to 21,115 shares on May 9, 2012; and as to 73,161 shares on May 17, 2012.

The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$21.75 to \$22.10, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Aspen Technology, Inc., any security holder of Aspen Technology,

(2) 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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