FUSCO MARK Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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 Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC., 200 09/05/2012 President & CEO 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** 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitie or Disposed o (Instr. 3, 4) Amount	f (D)	uired (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	09/05/2012		M	125,000	A	\$ 5.27	521,991	D		
Common Stock	09/05/2012		S	125,000 (2)	D	\$ 24.3876	396,991	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to	\$ 5.27	09/05/2012		M	125,000	<u>(1)</u>	09/14/2015	Common Stock	125,00

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

Buy)

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

09/06/2012

**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).
- (1) The option granted at the exercise price of \$5.27, representing a right to purchase 500,000 shares, became exercisable in 16 equal consecutive quarterly installments on the last day of each quarter, beginning on December 31, 2005.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$24.28 to \$24.51, 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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