MCARDLE JOAN C

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MCARDLE JOAN C			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) ASPEN TECH WHEELER R	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(Middle) INC., 200	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/06/2012	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
(Street) BURLINGTON, MA 01803		03	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 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Execution Date, if Transactiomr Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price				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							60,000 (1)	I	By employer	
Common Stock	11/06/2012		M	6,000	A	\$ 7.4	25,337	D		
Common Stock	11/06/2012		S	6,000 (3)	D	\$ 26.5063	19,337	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 on f 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.4	11/06/2012		M	6,000	12/01/2005(2)	11/30/2012	Common Stock	6,000

Reporting Owners

Relationships

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director $\frac{10\%}{\text{Owner}}$ Officer Other

MCARDLE JOAN C ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC. 200 WHEELER ROAD BURLINGTON, MA 01803

Signatures

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

11/07/2012

**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).
- These securities are held by Massachusetts Capital Resource Company. The reporting person serves as a senior vice president of

 Massachusetts Capital Resource Company, and may be deemed to have shared voting power over these securities. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (2) The option granted at the exercise price of \$7.40, representing a right to purchase 6,000 shares, was fully vested on the date of grant.

(3)

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The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$26.50 to \$26.56, 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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