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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Hammond F G

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC /DE/ [AZPN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
Senior VP & General Counsel

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC., 20 CROSBY DRIVE

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
08/13/2018

BEDFORD, MA 01730

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	08/13/2018		M	450	A \$ 43.44	21,029	D
Common Stock	08/13/2018		M	596	A \$ 44.38	21,625	D
Common Stock	08/13/2018		M	687	A \$ 45.46	22,312	D
Common Stock	08/13/2018		S	3,311	D \$ 107.51	19,001	D
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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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. Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 43.44	08/13/2018		M	450	⁽²⁾ 07/31/2024	Common Stock	450
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 44.38	08/13/2018		M	596	⁽³⁾ 08/02/2025	Common Stock	596
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 45.46	08/13/2018		M	687	⁽⁴⁾ 08/31/2026	Common Stock	687

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Hammond F G C/O ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC. 20 CROSBY DRIVE BEDFORD, MA 01730			Senior VP & General Counsel	

Signatures

/s/ F. G.
Hammond

08/15/2018

 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 price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$107.50 to \$107.61, 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.
- (2) The option granted at the exercise price of \$43.44, vests in 16 equal consecutive quarterly installments on the last business day of each quarter, beginning on September 30, 2014.
- (3) The option granted at the exercise price of \$44.38, vests in 16 equal consecutive quarterly installments on the last business day of each quarter, beginning on September 30, 2015.
- (4) The option granted at the exercise price of \$45.46, vests in 16 equal consecutive quarterly installments on the last business day of each quarter, beginning on September 30, 2016.

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