

KOTZABASAKIS MANOLIS E

Form 4

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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
KOTZABASAKIS MANOLIS E

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) (First) (Middle)

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

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC., 200 WHEELER ROAD

02/15/2011

EVP, Sales and Strategy

(Street)

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

BURLINGTON, MA 01803

(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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |   |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |  |   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | Code  | V   | Amount   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 02/15/2011                           |  | M                              | 1,137   | A   | \$ 2.85  | 108,181                                    | D |
| Common Stock                    | 02/15/2011                           |  | M                              | 263   | A   | \$ 2.85  | 108,444                                    | D |
| Common Stock                    | 02/15/2011                           |  | S                              | 1,400<br>(2)  | D   | \$ 15.402  | 107,044                                    | 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. 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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)       | \$ 2.85  | 02/15/2011                           |  | M                              | 1,137   | 09/30/2007 <sup>(1)</sup> 08/17/2013                     | Common Stock  | 1,137                      |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)       | \$ 2.85  | 02/15/2011                           |  | M                              | 263   | 08/18/2003 08/17/2013                                    | Common Stock  | 263                        |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                            |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                    | Other |
| KOTZABASAKIS MANOLIS E<br>ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC.<br>200 WHEELER ROAD<br>BURLINGTON, MA 01803 |               |           | EVP, Sales<br>and Strategy |       |

## Signatures

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

02/16/2011

\*\*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, representing a right to purchase a total of 1,137 shares, became exercisable in two installments of 568 shares and 569 shares, respectively, on June 30, 2007 and September 30, 2007.

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- (2) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$15.40 to \$15.4075, 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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