

ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC /DE/
Form 4
July 31, 2008

FORM 4

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Pietri Antonio J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O ASPEN TECHNOLOGY,
INC., 200 WHEELER ROAD

(Street)

BURLINGTON, MA 01803

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
07/29/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
EVP, Field Operations

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price					
Common Stock	07/29/2008		M		625	A	\$ 11.98	3,570	D	
Common Stock ⁽²⁾	07/29/2008		F		199	D	\$ 11.98	3,371	D	
Common Stock								270	I	By IRA
Common Stock								1,068	I	Held by spouse by IRA

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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. Price or Value of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	07/29/2008		M	625	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	625 (1)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Pietri Antonio J C/O ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC. 200 WHEELER ROAD BURLINGTON, MA 01803			EVP, Field Operations	

Signatures

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

07/31/2008

**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) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Aspen Technology, Inc. common stock.

(2) Shares withheld by Registrant to satisfy statutory tax withholding requirements on vesting of restricted stock units and distribution of stock.

(3)

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The restricted stock unit vested as to 25% on achievement of specified performance goals in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007 and the balance vests in 12 equal quarterly installments thereafter.

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