

KOTZABASAKIS MANOLIS E  
Form 4  
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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)  
ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC., 200 WHEELER ROAD  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/16/2011

\_\_\_\_ Director  
\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EVP, Sales and Strategy

BURLINGTON, MA 01803

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 Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) |   |                        | 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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|------------------------|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | Code  | V | Amount or Price        |   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 02/16/2011                           |  | M                              |   |   | 25,000 A \$ 2.85       | 132,044   | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 02/16/2011                           |  | M                              |   |   | 10,000 A \$ 2.85       | 142,044   | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 02/16/2011                           |  | S                              |   |   | 35,000 (1) D \$ 15.469 | 107,044   | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 02/17/2011                           |  | M                              |   |   | 4,274 A \$ 2.85        | 111,318   | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 02/17/2011                           |  | M                              |   |   | 30,726 A \$ 2.85       | 142,044   | D  |                                   |

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Common Stock      02/17/2011      S      35,000      D      \$ 15.949      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) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable      Expiration Date                    | Title      Amount or Number of Shares                         |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)       | \$ 2.85  | 02/16/2011                           |  | M                              | 25,000  | 08/18/2003      08/17/2013                               | Common Stock      25,000                                      |
| Common Stock Option (Right to Buy)         | \$ 2.85  | 02/16/2011                           |  | M                              | 10,000  | 08/18/2003      08/17/2013                               | Common Stock      10,000                                      |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)       | \$ 2.85  | 02/17/2011                           |  | M                              | 4,274   | 08/18/2003      08/17/2013                               | Common Stock      4,274                                       |
| Common Stock Option (Right to Buy)         | \$ 2.85  | 02/17/2011                           |  | M                              | 30,726  | 08/18/2003      08/17/2013                               | Common Stock      30,726                                      |

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director      10% Owner      Officer      Other

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ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC.  
200 WHEELER ROAD  
BURLINGTON, MA 01803

EVP, Sales  
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## Signatures

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

02/18/2011

\_\_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 price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$15.30 to \$15.64, 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 price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$15.87 to \$16.02, 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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