

ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC /DE/  
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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 \*  
Sullivan Mark P.

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)  
08/20/2013

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

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) (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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Common Stock	08/20/2013		M	A	3,094	\$ 10.93	D
Common Stock	08/20/2013		M	A	2,344	\$ 15.5	D
Common Stock	08/20/2013		M	A	6,850	\$ 23.38	D
Common Stock	08/20/2013		S	D	12,288	\$ 34.5	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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.93	08/20/2013		M	3,094	<u>(1)</u> 08/01/2017	Common Stock	3,094
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.5	08/20/2013		M	2,344	<u>(2)</u> 07/31/2021	Common Stock	2,344
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.38	08/20/2013		M	6,850	<u>(3)</u> 07/31/2022	Common Stock	6,850

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Sullivan Mark P. ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC. 200 WHEELER ROAD BURLINGTON, MA 01803			EVP & CFO	

## Signatures

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

08/22/2013

\_\_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 granted at the exercise price of \$10.93, representing a right to purchase a total of 49,500 shares, becomes exercisable in 16 equal consecutive quarterly installments on the last business day of each quarter, beginning on September 30, 2010.
- (2) The option granted at the exercise price of \$15.50, representing a right to purchase 37,500 shares, becomes exercisable in 16 equal consecutive quarterly installments on the last business day of each quarter, beginning on September 30, 2011.
- (3) The option granted at the exercise price of \$23.38, representing a right to purchase 27,401 shares, became exercisable in 16 equal consecutive quarterly installments on the last business day of each quarter, beginning on September 28, 2012.

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