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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PRINGLE C STEVEN

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC /DE/ [AZPN]

(Check all applicable)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

SVP, Global Services

C/O ASPEN TECHNOLOGY. INC., 2500 CITY WEST BLVD.,

(First)

SUITE 1600

(Last)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

09/15/2005

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

below)

HOUSTON, TX 77042

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

(Instr. 8)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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4.

Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionDerivative		Expiration Date		Underlying Securities	
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year	:)	(Instr. 3 and	4)
(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Number of Share
Option to purchase common	\$ 5.27	09/15/2005		A	80,000	09/15/2005(1)	09/15/2015	Common stock	80,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PRINGLE C STEVEN C/O ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC. 2500 CITY WEST BLVD., SUITE 1600 HOUSTON, TX 77042

SVP, Global Services

5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and

7. Title and Amount of

Signatures

1. Title of 2.

stock

/s/ F. G. Hammond, Attorney-in-Fact 09/19/2005

**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 vests in 16 equal quarterly installments beginning December 31, 2005.

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