ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC /DE/ Form 8-K July 06, 2004

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): July 6, 2004

ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware	0-24786	04-2739697
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

Ten Canal Park, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02141

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (617) 949-1000

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS.

On July 6, 2004, we issued a press release with respect to recent proceedings in the Federal Trade Commission's pending complaint against us. The full text of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is incorporated by reference herein.

- ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS.
- (a) FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF BUSINESS ACQUIRED

Not applicable.

(b) PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Not applicable.

(c) EXHIBITS

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99.1 Press release issued by Aspen Technology, Inc. on July 6, 2004.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

By:

ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC.

Dated: July 6, 2004

/s/ Charles F. Kane

Charles Kane Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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