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**ASPEN GROUP, INC.**

**PROSPECTUS**

**6,736,842 Shares of Common Stock**

This prospectus relates to the sale of up to 6,736,842 shares of Aspen Group, Inc. common stock which may be offered by the selling shareholder identified in this prospectus.

We will not receive any proceeds from the sales of shares of our common stock by the selling shareholder named on page 66.

Our common stock trades on the Over-the-Counter Bulletin Board under the symbol `ASPU`. As of the last trading day before the date of this prospectus, the closing price of our common stock was \$0.20 per share.

**The common stock offered in this prospectus involves a high degree of risk. See **Risk Factors** beginning on page 4 of this prospectus to read about factors you should consider before buying shares of our common stock.**

**The selling shareholder is offering these shares of common stock. The selling shareholder may sell all or a portion of these shares from time to time in market transactions through any market on which our common**

**stock is then traded, in negotiated transactions or otherwise, and at prices and on terms that will be determined by the then prevailing market price or at negotiated prices directly or through a broker or brokers, who may act as agent or as principal or by a combination of such methods of sale. The selling shareholder will receive all proceeds from the sale of the common stock. For additional information on the methods of sale, you should refer to the section entitled Plan of Distribution.**

**Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined whether this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.**

**The date of this prospectus is October 21, 2013**

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**You should rely only on information contained in this prospectus. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with information that is different from that contained in this prospectus. The selling shareholder is not offering to sell or seeking offers to buy shares of common stock in jurisdictions where offers and sales are not permitted. The information contained in this prospectus is accurate only as of the date of this prospectus, regardless of the time of delivery of this prospectus or of any sale of our common stock.**



## PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

*This summary highlights information contained elsewhere in this prospectus. You should read the entire prospectus carefully including the section entitled Risk Factors before making an investment decision. In March 2012, Aspen Group, Inc., or Aspen Group, and Aspen University Inc., a privately held Delaware corporation, or Aspen, entered into a merger agreement whereby Aspen became a wholly-owned subsidiary of Aspen Group. We refer to the merger as the Reverse Merger. All references to we, our and us refer to Aspen Group and its subsidiaries (including Aspen), unless the context otherwise indicates. In referring to academic matters, these words refer solely to Aspen University.*

### **Our Company**

Aspen is an online postsecondary education company. Founded in 1987, Aspen's mission is to become an institution of choice for adult learners by offering cost-effective, comprehensive, and relevant online education. We are dedicated to helping our students exceed their personal and professional objectives in a socially conscious and economically sensible way. Aspen's mission in fact is to help students achieve their long-term goals of upward mobility and long-term economic success through providing superior education, exerting financial prudence, and supporting our students' career advancement goals. Aspen is dedicated to providing the highest quality education experiences taught by top-tier professors - 67% of our adjunct professors hold doctorate degrees.

### **Corporate Information**

Our corporate headquarters are located at 720 South Colorado Boulevard, Suite 1150N, Denver, Colorado 80246 and our phone number is (303) 333-4224. Our corporate website can be found at [www.aspen.edu/investor-relations](http://www.aspen.edu/investor-relations). The information on our website is not incorporated in this prospectus.

### **Risks Affecting Us**

Our business is subject to numerous risks as discussed more fully in the section entitled "Risk Factors" immediately following this Prospectus Summary. In particular, our business would be adversely affected if:

we are unable to comply with the extensive regulatory requirements to which our business is subject, including Title IV of the Higher Education Act, or Title IV, and the regulations under that act, state laws and regulations, accrediting agency requirements, and our inability to comply with these regulations could result in our ceasing operations altogether;

we are unable to generate sufficient revenue to meet our future working capital needs;

our marketing and advertising efforts are not effective;

we are unable to develop new programs and expand our existing programs in a timely and cost-effective manner;

we are unable to increase our class starts by existing students and increase new enrollments;

our new monthly installment plan is unsuccessful;

we are unable to attract and retain key personnel needed to sustain and grow our business; or

our reputation is damaged by regulatory actions or negative publicity affecting us or other companies in the for-profit higher education sector.

For a discussion of these and other risks you should consider before making an investment in our common stock, see the section entitled **Risk Factors** beginning on page 4 of this prospectus.

**THE OFFERING**

Common stock outstanding prior to the offering:	59,190,366 shares
Common stock offered by the selling shareholder upon exercise of warrants:	6,736,842 shares
Common stock outstanding immediately following the offering:	65,927,208 shares
Use of proceeds:	Except for the proceeds we receive upon the exercise of warrants, we will not receive any proceeds from the sale of shares by the selling shareholder. See "Use of Proceeds" on page 20.
Stock symbol:	OTCBB: ASPU

The number of shares of common stock to be outstanding prior to and after this offering excludes:

- a total of 9,110,592 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of outstanding stock options;
- a total of 189,408 shares of common stock reserved for future issuance under our 2012 Equity Incentive Plan;
- a total of 11,512,686 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of warrants, which does not include the warrants referred to above; and
- a total of 8,093,985 shares of common stock issuable upon the conversion of notes and a debenture.

## SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA

The following summary of our financial data should be read in conjunction with, and is qualified in its entirety by reference to Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and our consolidated financial statements appearing elsewhere in this prospectus.

### Statements of Operations Data

	Three Months Ended		Four Months Ended		Year Ended	
	July 31,		April 30,		December 31,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012	2012	2011
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)		(Unaudited)		
Revenue	\$ 929,993	\$ 698,152	\$ 1,229,096	\$ 745,656	\$ 2,684,931	\$ 2,346,238
Loss from continuing operations	\$ (1,127,839)	\$ (1,842,270)	\$ (1,291,055)	\$ (2,361,632)	\$ (6,147,044)	\$ (2,593,139)
Net loss per common share, allocable to common stockholders (basic and diluted)	\$ (0.02)	\$ (0.05)	\$ (0.03)	\$ (0.11)	\$ (0.17)	\$ (0.14)
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding (basic and diluted)	58,527,790	35,295,204	56,089,884	21,135,361	35,316,681	15,377,413

**Balance Sheet Data**

	<b>July 31,</b>		<b>April 30,</b>		<b>December 31,</b>
	<b>2013</b>		<b>2013</b>		<b>2012</b>
	<b>(Unaudited)</b>				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 641,009	\$	724,982	\$	577,238
Working capital (deficit)	\$ (1,093,275)	\$	(301,669)	\$	106,222
Total assets	\$ 3,770,193	\$	3,401,685	\$	3,497,198
Total current liabilities	\$ 3,100,525	\$	1,935,860	\$	1,630,426
Accumulated deficit	\$(13,845,662)	\$	(12,740,086)	\$	(11,337,104)
Total shareholders' equity (deficit)	\$ (194,085)	\$	594,375	\$	801,755

## RISK FACTORS

*Investing in our common stock involves a high degree of risk. You should carefully consider the following Risk Factors before deciding whether to invest in Aspen Group. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us, or that we currently deem immaterial, may also impair our business operations or our financial condition. If any of the events discussed in the Risk Factors below occur, our business, consolidated financial condition, results of operations or prospects could be materially and adversely affected. In such case, the value and marketability of the common stock could decline.*

### **Risks Relating to Our Business**

**If we are unable to generate positive cash flows from our operations or we are unable to raise capital, we will have to scale back our operations.**

We incurred a net loss of approximately \$1.1 million during the three months ended July 31, 2013, \$6 million in 2012 and \$2.1 million in 2011 (using our then fiscal year of December 31<sup>st</sup>). Beginning in September 2012, we closed equity financings totaling gross proceeds of approximately \$4.6 million, which has provided working capital necessary because of these losses. Additionally, in July 2013, Michael Mathews, our Chief Executive Officer, loaned us \$1 million and we issued him a \$1 million Promissory Note due April 2, 2015. In September 2013, we sold a \$2.24 million Original Issue Discount Secured Convertible Debenture, or the Debenture, to one investor and received gross proceeds of \$2.0 million. The Debenture pays 8% interest per annum, payable monthly on the first day of each calendar month beginning on November 1, 2013. We are required to redeem 25% of the Debenture on November 1, 2014 and January 1, 2015 and the remaining 50% on April 1, 2015. Aspen Group believes that it will begin generating positive cash flows from operations by the end of fiscal 2014. In the event that we are not successful at generating positive cash flows, we will be required to raise additional capital or reduce our operating expenses which will limit our ability to grow our business. Because small companies like Aspen Group generally face more obstacles in obtaining financing, we cannot assure you that we will be successful in raising additional capital if needed.

**Because our management team has been in place for two years, it may be difficult to evaluate our future prospects and the risk of success or failure of our business.**

Our management team began the process of taking control of Aspen from its then Chairman in May 2011 and embarked upon changes in Aspen's business model including adopting a new tuition plan effective upon receiving regulatory approval, revamping Aspen's marketing approach, substantially increasing marketing expenditures, and upgrading Aspen's technology infrastructure. While the results to date are very encouraging, the limited time period

makes it difficult to project whether we will be successful.

**Our business may be adversely affected by a further economic slowdown in the U.S. or abroad or by an economic recovery in the U.S.**

The U.S. and much of the world economy are experiencing difficult economic circumstances. We believe the economic downturn in the U.S., particularly the continuing high actual unemployment rate, has contributed to a portion of our recent enrollment growth as an increased number of working students seek to advance their education to improve job security or reemployment prospects. This effect cannot be quantified. However, to the extent that the economic downturn and the associated unemployment have increased demand for our programs, an improving economy and increased employment may eliminate this effect and reduce such demand as fewer potential students seek to advance their education. We do not know whether the gradually reduced actual unemployment rate will reduce future demand for our services, which would have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows. Conversely, a worsening of economic and employment conditions could adversely affect the ability or willingness of prospective students to pay our tuition and our former students to repay student loans, which could increase our bad debt expense, impair our ability to offer students loans under Title IV, and require increased time, attention and resources to manage defaults.

**If we cannot manage our growth, our results of operations may suffer and could adversely affect our ability to comply with federal regulations.**

The growth that we have experienced after our new management began in May 2011, as well as any future growth that we experience, may place a significant strain on our resources and increase demands on our management information and reporting systems and financial management controls. If growth negatively impacts our ability to manage our business, the learning experience for our students could be adversely affected, resulting in a higher rate of student attrition and fewer student referrals. Future growth will also require continued improvement of our internal controls and systems, particularly those related to complying with federal regulations under the Higher Education Act, as administered by the Department of Education, or DOE, including as a result of our participation in federal student financial aid programs under Title IV. If we are unable to manage our growth, we may also experience operating inefficiencies that could increase our costs and adversely affect our profitability and results of operations.

**Because there is strong competition in the postsecondary education market, especially in the online education market, our cost of acquiring students may increase and our results of operations may be harmed.**

Postsecondary education is highly fragmented and competitive. We compete with traditional public and private two-year and four-year brick and mortar colleges as well as other for-profit schools, particularly those that offer online learning programs. Public and private colleges and universities, as well as other for-profit schools, offer programs similar to those we offer. Public institutions receive substantial government subsidies, and public and private institutions have access to government and foundation grants, tax-deductible contributions that create large endowments and other financial resources generally not available to for-profit schools. Accordingly, public and private institutions may have instructional and support resources that are superior to those in the for-profit sector. In addition, some of our competitors, including both traditional colleges and universities and online for-profit schools, have substantially greater name recognition and financial and other resources than we have, which may enable them to compete more effectively for potential students. We also expect to face increased competition as a result of new entrants to the online education market, including established colleges and universities that have not previously offered online education programs. Recently, major brick and mortar universities have advertised their online course offerings.

We may not be able to compete successfully against current or future competitors and may face competitive pressures including price pressures that could adversely affect our business or results of operations and reduce our operating margins. These competitive factors could cause our enrollments, revenues and profitability to decrease significantly.

**In the event that we are unable to update and expand the content of existing programs and develop new programs and specializations on a timely basis and in a cost-effective manner, our results of operations may be harmed.**

The updates and expansions of our existing programs and the development of new programs and specializations may not be accepted by existing or prospective students or employers. If we cannot respond to changes in market requirements, our business may be adversely affected. Even if we are able to develop acceptable new programs, we may not be able to introduce these new programs as quickly as students require or as quickly as our competitors introduce competing programs. To offer a new academic program, we may be required to obtain appropriate federal, state and accrediting agency approvals, which may be conditioned or delayed in a manner that could significantly affect our growth plans. In addition, a new academic program that must prepare students for gainful employment, which we are, must be approved by the DOE for Title IV purposes if the institution is provisionally certified. We filed for permanent certification which extended our provisional status until such time as the DOE takes action on our application. If we are unable to respond adequately to changes in market requirements due to financial constraints, regulatory limitations or other factors, our ability to attract and retain students could be impaired and our financial results could suffer.

Establishing new academic programs or modifying existing programs may require us to make investments in management and faculty, incur marketing expenses and reallocate other resources. If we are unable to increase the number of students, or offer new programs in a cost-effective manner, or are otherwise unable to manage effectively the operations of newly established academic programs, our results of operations and financial condition could be adversely affected.

**Because our future growth and profitability will depend in large part upon the effectiveness of our marketing and advertising efforts, if those efforts are unsuccessful we may not be profitable in the future.**

Our future growth and profitability will depend in large part upon our media performance, including our ability to:

Create greater awareness of our school and our programs;

Identify the most effective and efficient level of spending in each market and specific media vehicle;

Determine the appropriate creative message and media mix for advertising, marketing and promotional expenditures;  
and



Effectively manage marketing costs (including creative and media).

Our marketing expenditures may not result in increased revenue or generate sufficient levels of brand name and program awareness. If our media performance is not effective, our future results of operations and financial condition will be adversely affected.

**Although our management is spearheading a new marketing and advertising program, it may not be successful.**

Mr. Michael Mathews, our Chief Executive Officer, has developed a new marketing campaign designed to substantially increase our student enrollment. While initial results have been as anticipated, there are no assurances that this marketing campaign will continue to be successful. Among the risks are the following:

Our ability to compete with existing online colleges which have substantially greater financial resources, deeper management and academic resources, and enhanced public reputations;

the emergence of more successful competitors;

factors related to our marketing, including the costs of Internet advertising and broad-based branding campaigns;

limits on our ability to attract and retain effective employees because of the new incentive payment rule;

performance problems with our online systems;

our failure to maintain accreditation;

student dissatisfaction with our services and programs;

adverse publicity regarding us, our competitors or online or for-profit education generally;

a decline in the acceptance of online education;

a decrease in the perceived or actual economic benefits that students derive from our programs;

potential students may not be able to afford the monthly payments; and

potential students may not react favorably to our marketing and advertising campaigns, including our new monthly payment plan.

If our new marketing campaign is not favorably received, our revenues may not increase. Moreover, in June 2013, we launched a monthly payment plan designed to encourage students to enroll in courses without borrowing. It is too soon to know if this plan will increase our revenues.

**If student enrollment declines or does not increase in reaction to our new monthly installment payment plan, we may not be successful.**

Effective June 1, 2013, we began implementing a new monthly installment tuition payment plan. This plan is designed to increase enrollment and encourage students to reduce or eliminate student loans. We do not know if this plan will be successful. If it is not, we may experience a decline in enrollment or a failure to grow our revenues.

**If we incur system disruptions to our online computer networks, it could impact our ability to generate revenue and damage our reputation, limiting our ability to attract and retain students.**

In 2011, 2012 and 2013, we spent approximately \$1.6 million to update our computer network primarily to permit accelerated student enrollment and enhance our students' learning experience. We expect to spend \$250,000 in capital

expenditures over the next 12 months. The performance and reliability of our technology infrastructure is critical to our reputation and ability to attract and retain students. Any system error or failure, or a sudden and significant increase in bandwidth usage, could result in the unavailability of our online classroom, damaging our reputation and could cause a loss in enrollment. Our technology infrastructure could be vulnerable to interruption or malfunction due to events beyond our control, including natural disasters, terrorist activities and telecommunications failures.

**Although one of our directors has pledged shares of common stock to secure payment of a receivable, it is possible that the future market price of our common stock will decline in which case we will incur an adverse impact to its future operating results and financial condition.**

In March 2012, one of our directors pledged a total of 117,943 shares of personally owned Aspen common stock (now shares of Aspen Group). The shares were pledged (in addition to shares pledged by Aspen's former Chairman and his company) to secure payment of a \$772,793 accounts receivable. The Stock Pledge Agreement provides that the shares will be cancelled at the rate of \$1.00 per share in the event that we are unable to collect this receivable which is due in 2014. Because of sales of common stock below \$1.00 per share, the receivable in total was reduced to \$270,478 as of December 31, 2012. If we are unable to collect on this receivable, we will suffer a number of consequences, including a failure to collect a material amount of cash and if our stock price is below \$0.35, we will sustain a non cash loss.

**If we experience any interruption to our technology infrastructure, it could prevent students from accessing their courses, could have a material adverse effect on our ability to attract and retain students and could require us to incur additional expenses to correct or mitigate the interruption.**

Our computer networks may also be vulnerable to unauthorized access, computer hackers, computer viruses and other security problems. A user who circumvents security measures could misappropriate proprietary information, personal information about our students or cause interruptions or malfunctions in operations. As a result, we may be required to expend significant resources to protect against the threat of these security breaches or to alleviate problems caused by these breaches.

**Because we rely on third parties to provide services in running our operations, if any of these parties fail to provide the agreed services at an acceptable level, it could limit our ability to provide services and/or cause student dissatisfaction, either of which could adversely affect our business.**

We rely on third parties to provide us with services in order for us to efficiently and securely operate our business including our computer network and the courses we offer to students. Any interruption in our ability to obtain the services of these or other third parties or deterioration in their performance could impair the quality of our educational product and overall business. Generally, there are multiple sources for the services we purchase. Our business could be disrupted if we were required to replace any of these third parties, especially if the replacement became necessary on short notice, which could adversely affect our business and results of operations.

**If we or our service providers are unable to update the technology that we rely upon to offer online education, our future growth may be impaired.**

We believe that continued growth will require our service providers to increase the capacity and capabilities of their technology infrastructure. Increasing the capacity and capabilities of the technology infrastructure will require these third parties to invest capital, time and resources, and there is no assurance that even with sufficient investment their systems will be scalable to accommodate future growth. Our service providers may also need to invest capital, time and resources to update their technology in response to competitive pressures in the marketplace. If they are unwilling or unable to increase the capacity of their resources or update their resources appropriately and we cannot change over to other service providers efficiently, our ability to handle growth, our ability to attract or retain students, and our financial condition and results of operations could be adversely affected.

**Because we rely on third party administration and hosting of open source software for our online classroom, if that third party were to cease to do business or alter its business practices and services, it could have an adverse impact on our ability to operate.**

Our online classroom employs the Moodle learning management system which is an open source learning platform and is supported by the open source community. The system is a web-based portal that stores and delivers course content, provides interactive communication between students and faculty, and supplies online evaluation tools. While Moodle is an open source learning platform, we rely on third parties to host and help with the administration of it. We further rely on third parties, our agreement with Moodlerooms and the open source community as well as our internal staff for ongoing support and customization and integration of the system with the rest of our technology infrastructure. If Moodlerooms or the open source community that supports it were unable or unwilling to continue to provide us with service, we may have difficulty maintaining the software required for our online classroom or updating it for future technological changes. Any failure to maintain our online classroom would have an adverse impact on our operations, damage our reputation and limit our ability to attract and retain students.

**Because the personal information that we or our vendors collect may be vulnerable to breach, theft or loss, any of these factors could adversely affect our reputation and operations.**

Possession and use of personal information in our operations subjects us to risks and costs that could harm our business. Aspen uses a third party to collect and retain large amounts of personal information regarding our students and their families, including social security numbers, tax return information, personal and family financial data and credit card numbers. We also collect and maintain personal information of our employees in the ordinary course of our business. Some of this personal information is held and managed by certain of our vendors. Errors in the storage, use or transmission of personal information could result in a breach of student or employee privacy. Possession and use of personal information in our operations also subjects us to legislative and regulatory burdens that could require notification of data breaches, restrict our use of personal information, and cause us to lose our certification to participate in the Title IV programs. We cannot guarantee that there will not be a breach, loss or theft of personal information that we store or our third parties store. A breach, theft or loss of personal information regarding our students and their families or our employees that is held by us or our vendors could have a material adverse effect on our reputation and results of operations and result in liability under state and federal privacy statutes and legal or administrative actions by state attorneys general, private litigants, and federal regulators any of which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

**Because the CAN-SPAM Act imposes certain obligations on the senders of commercial emails, it could adversely impact our ability to market Aspen's educational services, and otherwise increase the costs of our business.**

The Controlling the Assault of Non-Solicited Pornography and Marketing Act of 2003, or CAN-SPAM Act, establishes requirements for commercial email and specifies penalties for commercial email that violates the CAN-SPAM Act. In addition, the CAN-SPAM Act gives consumers the right to require third parties to stop sending them commercial email.

The CAN-SPAM Act covers email sent for the primary purpose of advertising or promoting a commercial product, service, or Internet website. The Federal Trade Commission, a federal consumer protection agency, is primarily responsible for enforcing the CAN-SPAM Act, and the Department of Justice, other federal agencies, State Attorneys General, and Internet service providers also have authority to enforce certain of its provisions.

The CAN-SPAM Act's main provisions include:

Prohibiting false or misleading email header information;

Prohibiting the use of deceptive subject lines;

Ensuring that recipients may, for at least 30 days after an email is sent, opt out of receiving future commercial email messages from the sender;

Requiring that commercial email be identified as a solicitation or advertisement unless the recipient affirmatively permitted the message; and

Requiring that the sender include a valid postal address in the email message.

The CAN-SPAM Act also prohibits unlawful acquisition of email addresses, such as through directory harvesting and transmission of commercial emails by unauthorized means, such as through relaying messages with the intent to deceive recipients as to the origin of such messages.

Violations of the CAN-SPAM Act's provisions can result in criminal and civil penalties, including statutory penalties that can be based in part upon the number of emails sent, with enhanced penalties for commercial email companies who harvest email addresses, use dictionary attack patterns to generate email addresses, and/or relay emails through a network without permission.

The CAN-SPAM Act acknowledges that the Internet offers unique opportunities for the development and growth of frictionless commerce, and the CAN-SPAM Act was passed, in part, to enhance the likelihood that wanted commercial email messages would be received.

The CAN-SPAM Act preempts, or blocks, most state restrictions specific to email, except for rules against falsity or deception in commercial email, fraud and computer crime. The scope of these exceptions, however, is not settled, and some states have adopted email regulations that, if upheld, could impose liabilities and compliance burdens in addition to those imposed by the CAN-SPAM Act.

Moreover, some foreign countries, including the countries of the European Union, have regulated the distribution of commercial email and the online collection and disclosure of personal information. Foreign governments may attempt to apply their laws extraterritorially or through treaties or other arrangements with U.S. governmental entities.



Because we use email marketing, our requirement to comply with the CAN-SPAM Act could adversely affect Aspen's marketing activities and increase its costs.

**If we lose the services of key personnel, it could adversely affect our business.**

Our future success depends, in part, on our ability to attract and retain key personnel. Our future also depends on the continued services of Mr. Michael Mathews, our Chief Executive Officer, who is critical to the management of our business and operations and the development of our strategic direction and would also be difficult to replace. We have a \$3 million key man life insurance policy on Mr. Mathews. The loss of the services of Mr. Mathews and other key individuals and the process to replace these individuals would involve significant time and expense and may significantly delay or prevent the achievement of our business objectives.

**If we are unable to attract and retain our faculty, administrators, management and skilled personnel, we may not be able to support our growth strategy.**

To execute our growth strategy, we must attract and retain highly qualified faculty, administrators, management and skilled personnel. Competition for hiring these individuals is intense, especially with regard to faculty in specialized areas. If we fail to attract new skilled personnel or faculty or fail to retain and motivate our existing faculty, administrators, management and skilled personnel, our business and growth prospects could be severely harmed. The DOE's revised incentive payment rule, which took effect July 1, 2011, may affect the manner in which we attract, retain, and motivate new and existing employees.

**If we are unable to protect our intellectual property, our business could be harmed.**

In the ordinary course of our business, we develop intellectual property of many kinds that is or will be the subject of copyright, trademark, service mark, trade secret or other protections. This intellectual property includes but is not limited to courseware materials, business know-how and internal processes and procedures developed to respond to the requirements of operating and various education regulatory agencies. We rely on a combination of copyrights, trademarks, service marks, trade secrets, domain names, agreements and registrations to protect our intellectual property. We rely on service mark and trademark protection in the U.S. to protect our rights to the mark "ASPEN UNIVERSITY" as well as distinctive logos and other marks associated with our services. We rely on agreements under which we obtain rights to use course content developed by faculty members and other third party content experts. We cannot assure you that the measures that we take will be adequate or that we have secured, or will be able to secure, appropriate protections for all of our proprietary rights in the U.S. or select foreign jurisdictions, or that third parties will not infringe upon or violate our proprietary rights. Despite our efforts to protect these rights,

unauthorized third parties may attempt to duplicate or copy the proprietary aspects of our curricula, online resource material and other content, and offer competing programs to ours.

In particular, third parties may attempt to develop competing programs or duplicate or copy aspects of our curriculum, online resource material, quality management and other proprietary content. Any such attempt, if successful, could adversely affect our business. Protecting these types of intellectual property rights can be difficult, particularly as it relates to the development by our competitors of competing courses and programs.

We may encounter disputes from time to time over rights and obligations concerning intellectual property, and we may not prevail in these disputes. Third parties may raise a claim against us alleging an infringement or violation of the intellectual property of that third party.

**If we are subject to intellectual property infringement claims, it could cause us to incur significant expenses and pay substantial damages.**

Third parties may claim that we are infringing or violating their intellectual property rights. Any such claims could cause us to incur significant expenses and, if successfully asserted against us, could require that we pay substantial damages and prevent us from using our intellectual property that may be fundamental to our business. Even if we were to prevail, any litigation regarding the intellectual property could be costly and time-consuming and divert the attention of our management and key personnel from our business operations.

**If we incur liability for the unauthorized duplication or distribution of class materials posted online during our class discussions, it may affect our future operating results and financial condition.**

In some instances, our faculty members or our students may post various articles or other third party content on class discussion boards. We may incur liability for the unauthorized duplication or distribution of this material posted online for class discussions. Third parties may raise claims against us for the unauthorized duplication of this material. Any such claims could subject us to costly litigation and impose a significant strain on our financial resources and management personnel regardless of whether the claims have merit. As a result we may be required to alter the content of our courses or pay monetary damages.

**Because we are an exclusively online provider of education, we are entirely dependent on continued growth and acceptance of exclusively online education and, if the recognition by students and employers of the value of online education does not continue to grow, our ability to grow our business could be adversely impacted.**

We believe that continued growth in online education will be largely dependent on additional students and employers recognizing the value of degrees and courses from online institutions. If students and employers are not convinced that online schools are an acceptable alternative to traditional schools or that an online education provides value, or if growth in the market penetration of exclusively online education slows, growth in the industry and our business could be adversely affected. Because our business model is based on online education, if the acceptance of online education does not grow, our ability to continue to grow our business and our financial condition and results of operations could be materially adversely affected.

**As Internet commerce develops, federal and state governments may draft and propose new laws to regulate Internet commerce, which may negatively affect our business.**

The increasing popularity and use of the Internet and other online services have led and may lead to the adoption of new laws and regulatory practices in the U.S. and to new interpretations of existing laws and regulations. These new laws and interpretations may relate to issues such as online privacy, copyrights, trademarks and service marks, sales taxes, fair business practices and the requirement that online education institutions qualify to do business as foreign corporations or be licensed in one or more jurisdictions where they have no physical location or other presence. New laws, regulations or interpretations related to doing business over the Internet could increase our costs and materially and adversely affect our enrollments, revenues and results of operations.

**If there is new tax treatment of companies engaged in Internet commerce, this may adversely affect the commercial use of our marketing services and our financial results.**

Due to the growing budgetary problems facing state and local governments, it is possible that governments might attempt to tax our activities. New or revised tax regulations may subject us to additional sales, income and other taxes. We cannot predict the effect of current attempts to impose taxes on commerce over the Internet. New or revised taxes and, in particular, sales or use taxes, would likely increase the cost of doing business online which could have an adverse effect on our business and results of operations.

### **Risks Related to the Regulation of Our Industry**

**If we fail to comply with the extensive regulatory requirements for our business, we could face penalties and significant restrictions on our operations, including loss of access to Title IV loans.**

We are subject to extensive regulation by (1) the federal government through the DOE and under the Higher Education Act, (2) state regulatory bodies and (3) accrediting agencies recognized by the DOE, including the DETC, a national accrediting agency recognized by the DOE. The U.S. Department of Defense and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs regulate our participation in the military's tuition assistance program and the VA's veterans' education benefits program, respectively. The regulations, standards and policies of these agencies cover the vast majority of our operations, including our educational programs, facilities, instructional and administrative staff, administrative procedures, marketing, recruiting, financial operations and financial condition. These regulatory requirements can also affect our ability to add new or expand existing educational programs and to change our corporate structure and ownership.

Institutions of higher education that grant degrees, diplomas, or certificates must be authorized by an appropriate state education agency or agencies. In addition, in certain states as a condition of continued authorization to grant degrees and in order to participate in various federal programs, including tuition assistance programs of the United States Armed Forces, a school must be accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education. Accreditation is a non-governmental process through which an institution submits to qualitative review by an organization of peer institutions, based on the standards of the accrediting agency and the stated aims and purposes of the institution. The Higher Education Act requires accrediting agencies recognized by the DOE to review and monitor many aspects of an institution's operations and to take appropriate action when the institution fails to comply with the accrediting agency's standards.

Our operations are also subject to regulation due to our participation in Title IV programs. Title IV programs, which are administered by the DOE, include loans made directly to students by the DOE. Title IV programs also include several grant programs for students with economic need as determined in accordance with the Higher Education Act and DOE regulations. To participate in Title IV programs, a school must receive and maintain authorization by the appropriate state education agencies, be accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education, and be certified as an eligible institution by the DOE. Our growth strategy is partly dependent on enrolling more students who are attracted to us because of our continued participation in the Title IV programs.

The regulations, standards, and policies of the DOE, state education agencies, and our accrediting agencies change frequently. Recent and impending changes in, or new interpretations of, applicable laws, regulations, standards, or policies, or our noncompliance with any applicable laws, regulations, standards, or policies, could have a material adverse effect on our accreditation, authorization to operate in various states, activities, receipt of funds under tuition assistance programs of the United States Armed Forces, our ability to participate in Title IV programs, receipt of veterans education benefits funds, or costs of doing business. Findings of noncompliance with these regulations, standards and policies also could result in our being required to pay monetary damages, or being subjected to fines, penalties, injunctions, limitations on our operations, termination of our ability to grant degrees, revocation of our accreditation, restrictions on our access to Title IV program funds or other censure that could have a material adverse effect on our business.

**If we do not maintain authorization in Colorado, our operations would be curtailed, and we may not grant degrees.**

Aspen is headquartered in Colorado and is authorized by the Colorado Commission on Higher Education to grant degrees, diplomas or certificates. If we were to lose our authorization from the Colorado Commission on Higher Education, we would be unable to provide educational services in Colorado and we would lose our eligibility to participate in the Title IV programs.

**Our failure to comply with regulations of various states could have a material adverse effect on our enrollments, revenues, and results of operations.**

Various states impose regulatory requirements on education institutions operating within their boundaries. Several states assert jurisdiction over online education institutions that have no physical location or other presence in the state but offer education services to students who reside in the state or advertise to or recruit prospective students in the state. State regulatory requirements for online education are inconsistent among states and not well developed in many jurisdictions. As such, these requirements change frequently and, in some instances, are not clear or are left to the discretion of state regulators.

State laws typically establish standards for instruction, qualifications of faculty, administrative procedures, marketing, recruiting, financial operations, and other operational matters. To the extent that we have obtained, or obtain in the future, additional authorizations or licensure, changes in state laws and regulations and the interpretation of those laws and regulations by the applicable regulators may limit our ability to offer education programs and award degrees. Some states may also prescribe financial regulations that are different from those of the DOE. If we fail to comply with state licensing or authorization requirements, we may be subject to the loss of state licensure or authorization. If we fail to comply with state requirements to obtain licensure or authorization, we may be the subject of injunctive actions or penalties. Loss of licensure or authorization or the failure to obtain required licensures or authorizations could prohibit us from recruiting or enrolling students in particular states, reduce significantly our enrollments and revenues and have a material adverse effect on our results of operations. We enroll students in all 50 states, as well as the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. We have sought and received confirmation that our operations do not require state licensure or authorization, or we have been notified that we are exempt from licensure or authorization requirements, in three states. We, through our legal counsel, are researching the licensure requirements and exemption possibilities in the remaining 47 states. It is anticipated that Aspen will be in compliance with all state licensure requirements by June 2014. Because we enroll students in all 50 states, as well as the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico, we may have to seek licensure or authorization in additional states in the future.

Under DOE regulations, if an institution offers postsecondary education through distance education to students in a state in which the institution is not physically located or in which it is otherwise subject to state jurisdiction as determined by that state, the institution must have met any state requirements for it to be legally offering postsecondary distance education in that state. A federal court has vacated such requirement, and an appellate court affirmed that ruling on June 5, 2012, though further guidance is expected. Should the requirement be upheld or otherwise enforced, however, and if we fail to obtain required state authorization to provide postsecondary distance education in a specific state, we could lose our ability to award Title IV aid to students within that state.

The DOE's new requirement could lead some states to adopt new laws and regulatory practices affecting the delivery of distance education to students located in those states. In the event we are found not to be in compliance with a state's new or existing requirements for offering distance education within that state, the state could seek to restrict one or more of our business activities within its boundaries, we may not be able to recruit students from that state, and we may have to cease providing service to students in that state. In addition, under the DOE's regulation regarding state authorization and distance education, if and when the regulation is enforced or re-promulgated, we could lose eligibility to offer Title IV aid to students located in that state.

**If we fail to maintain our institutional accreditation, we would lose our ability to participate in the tuition assistance programs of the U.S. Armed Forces and also to participate in Title IV programs.**

Aspen is accredited by the DETC, which is a national accrediting agency recognized by the Secretary of Education for Title IV purposes. Accreditation by an accrediting agency that is recognized by the Secretary of Education is required for an institution to become and remain eligible to participate in Title IV programs as well as in the tuition assistance programs of the United States Armed Forces. DETC may impose restrictions on our accreditation or may terminate our accreditation. To remain accredited we must continuously meet certain criteria and standards relating to, among other things, performance, governance, institutional integrity, educational quality, faculty, administrative capability, resources and financial stability. Failure to meet any of these criteria or standards could result in the loss of accreditation at the discretion of the accrediting agency. The loss of accreditation would, among other things, render our students and us ineligible to participate in the tuition assistance programs of the U.S. Armed Forces or Title IV programs and have a material adverse effect on our enrollments, revenues and results of operations.

**Because we have only recently begun to participate in Title IV programs, our failure to comply with the complex regulations associated with Title IV programs would have a significant adverse effect on our operations and prospects for growth.**

We have only recently begun to participate in Title IV programs. Compliance with the requirements of the Higher Education Act and Title IV programs is highly complex and imposes significant additional regulatory requirements on our operations, which require additional staff, contractual arrangements, systems and regulatory costs. We have a

limited demonstrated history of compliance with these additional regulatory requirements. If we fail to comply with any of these additional regulatory requirements, the DOE could, among other things, impose monetary penalties, place limitations on our operations, and/or condition or terminate our eligibility to receive Title IV program funds, which would limit our potential for growth and adversely affect our enrollment, revenues and results of operations.

**Because we are only provisionally certified by the DOE, we must reestablish our eligibility and certification to participate in the Title IV programs, and there are no assurances that DOE will recertify us to participate in the Title IV programs.**

An institution generally must seek recertification from the DOE at least every six years and possibly more frequently depending on various factors. In certain circumstances, the DOE provisionally certifies an institution to participate in Title IV programs, such as when it is an initial participant in Title IV programs or has undergone a change in ownership and control. On September 28, 2012, the DOE notified us that following our application for change of control, it extended our provisional certification until September 30, 2013. Pending this approval, we delivered a \$264,665 letter of credit to the DOE. We timely filed for permanent certification which extended our provisional status until such time as the DOE takes action on our application. Furthermore, DOE may impose additional or different terms and conditions in any final program participation agreement that it may issue, including growth restrictions or limitation on the number of students who may receive Title IV aid. The DOE could also decline to permanently certify Aspen, otherwise limit its participation in the Title IV programs, or continue provisional certification.

If the DOE does not ultimately approve our permanent certification to participate in Title IV programs, our students would no longer be able to receive Title IV program funds, which would have a material adverse effect on our enrollments, revenues and results of operations. In addition, regulatory restraints related to the addition of new programs could impair our ability to attract and retain students and could negatively affect our financial results.

**Because the DOE may conduct compliance reviews of us, we may be subject to adverse review and future litigation which could affect our ability to offer Title IV student loans.**

Because we operate in a highly regulated industry, we are subject to compliance reviews and claims of non-compliance and lawsuits by government agencies, regulatory agencies, and third parties, including claims brought by third parties on behalf of the federal government. If the results of compliance reviews or other proceedings are unfavorable to us, or if we are unable to defend successfully against lawsuits or claims, we may be required to pay monetary damages or be subject to fines, limitations, loss of Title IV funding, injunctions or other penalties, including the requirement to make refunds. Even if we adequately address issues raised by an agency review or successfully defend a lawsuit or claim, we may have to divert significant financial and management resources from our ongoing business operations to address issues raised by those reviews or to defend against those lawsuits or claims. Claims and lawsuits brought against us may damage our reputation, even if such claims and lawsuits are without merit.

**If our competitors are subject to further regulatory claims and adverse publicity, it may affect our industry and reduce our future enrollment.**

We are one of a number of for-profit institutions serving the postsecondary education market. In recent years, regulatory investigations and civil litigation have been commenced against several companies that own for-profit educational institutions. These investigations and lawsuits have alleged, among other things, deceptive trade practices and non-compliance with DOE regulations. These allegations have attracted adverse media coverage and have been the subject of federal and state legislative hearings. Although the media, regulatory and legislative focus has been primarily on the allegations made against specific companies, broader allegations against the overall for-profit school sector may negatively affect public perceptions of other for-profit educational institutions, including Aspen. In addition, in recent years, reports on student lending practices of various lending institutions and schools, including for-profit schools, and investigations by a number of state attorneys general, Congress and governmental agencies have led to adverse media coverage of postsecondary education. Adverse media coverage regarding other companies in the for-profit school sector or regarding us directly could damage our reputation, could result in lower enrollments, revenues and operating profit, and could have a negative impact on our stock price. Such allegations could also result in increased scrutiny and regulation by the DOE, Congress, accrediting bodies, state legislatures or other governmental authorities with respect to all for-profit institutions, including us.

**Due to new regulations or congressional action or reduction in funding for Title IV programs, our future enrollment may be reduced and costs of compliance increased.**

The Higher Education Act comes up for reauthorization by Congress approximately every five to six years. When Congress does not act on complete reauthorization, there are typically amendments and extensions of authorization. Additionally, Congress reviews and determines appropriations for Title IV programs on an annual basis through the budget and appropriations process. There is no assurance that Congress will not in the future enact changes that decrease Title IV program funds available to students, including students who attend our institution. Any action by Congress that significantly reduces funding for Title IV programs or the ability of our school or students to participate in these programs would require us to arrange for other sources of financial aid and would materially decrease our enrollment. Such a decrease in enrollment would have a material adverse effect on our revenues and results of operations. Congressional action may also require us to modify our practices in ways that could result in increased administrative and regulatory costs and decreased profit margin.

We are not in position to predict with certainty whether any legislation will be passed by Congress or signed into law in the future. The reallocation of funding among Title IV programs, material changes in the requirements for participation in such programs, or the substitution of materially different Title IV programs could reduce the ability of students to finance their education at our institution and adversely affect our revenues and results of operations.

If our efforts to comply with DOE regulations are inconsistent with how the DOE interprets those provisions, either due to insufficient time to implement the necessary changes, uncertainty about the meaning of the rules, or otherwise, we may be found to be in noncompliance with such provisions and the DOE could impose monetary penalties, place limitations on our operations, and/or condition or terminate our eligibility to receive Title IV program funds. We cannot predict with certainty the effect the new and impending regulatory provisions will have on our business.

**Investigations by state attorneys general, Congress and governmental agencies regarding relationships between loan providers and educational institutions and their financial aid officers may result in increased regulatory burdens and costs.**

In the past few years, the student lending practices of postsecondary educational institutions, financial aid officers and student loan providers were subject to several investigations being conducted by state attorneys general, Congress and governmental agencies. These investigations concern, among other things, possible deceptive practices in the marketing of private student loans and loans provided by lenders pursuant to Title IV programs. Higher Education Opportunity Act, or HEOA, contains new requirements pertinent to relationships between lenders and institutions. In particular, HEOA requires institutions to have a code of conduct, with certain specified provisions, pertinent to interactions with lenders of student loans, prohibits certain activities by lenders and guaranty agencies with respect to institutions, and establishes substantive and disclosure requirements for lists of recommended or suggested lenders of private student loans. In addition, HEOA imposes substantive and disclosure obligations on institutions that make available a list of recommended lenders for potential borrowers. State legislators have also passed or may be considering legislation related to relationships between lenders and institutions. Because of the evolving nature of these legislative efforts and various inquiries and developments, we can neither know nor predict with certainty their outcome, or the potential remedial actions that might result from these or other potential inquiries. Governmental action may impose increased administrative and regulatory costs and decreased profit margins.

**Because we are subject to sanctions if we fail to calculate correctly and return timely Title IV program funds for students who stop participating before completing their educational program, our future operating results may be adversely affected.**

A school participating in Title IV programs must correctly calculate the amount of unearned Title IV program funds that have been disbursed to students who withdraw from their educational programs before completion and must return those unearned funds in a timely manner, generally within 45 days after the date the school determines that the student has withdrawn. Under recently effective DOE regulations, institutions that use the last day of attendance at an academically-related activity must determine the relevant date based on accurate institutional records (not a student's certificate of attendance). For online classes, academic attendance means engaging in an academically-related activity, such as participating in class through an online discussion or initiating contact with a faculty member to ask a question; simply logging into an online class does not constitute academic attendance for purposes of the return of funds requirements. Because we only recently began to participate in Title IV programs, we have limited experience complying with these Title IV regulations. Under DOE regulations, late return of Title IV program funds for 5% or more of students sampled in connection with the institution's annual compliance audit constitutes material non-compliance. If unearned funds are not properly calculated and timely returned, we may have to repay Title IV funds, post a letter of credit in favor of the DOE or otherwise be sanctioned by the DOE, which could increase our cost of regulatory compliance and adversely affect our results of operations. This may have an impact on our systems, our future operations and cash flows.

**If we fail to demonstrate financial responsibility, Aspen may lose its eligibility to participate in Title IV programs or be required to post a letter of credit in order to maintain eligibility to participate in Title IV programs.**

To participate in Title IV programs, an eligible institution must satisfy specific measures of financial responsibility prescribed by the DOE, or post a letter of credit in favor of the DOE and possibly accept other conditions, such as additional reporting requirements or regulatory oversight, on its participation in Title IV programs. The DOE may also apply its measures of financial responsibility to the operating company and ownership entities of an eligible institution and, if such measures are not satisfied by the operating company or ownership entities, require the institution to meet the alternative standards described under Regulation on page 10 herein. Any of these alternative standards would increase our costs of regulatory compliance. If we were unable to meet these alternative standards, we would lose our eligibility to participate in Title IV programs. If we fail to demonstrate financial responsibility and thus lose our eligibility to participate in Title IV programs, our students would lose access to Title IV program funds for use in our institution, which would limit our potential for growth and adversely affect our enrollment, revenues and results of operations.

**If we fail to demonstrate administrative capability, we may lose eligibility to participate in Title IV programs.**

DOE regulations specify extensive criteria an institution must satisfy to establish that it has the requisite administrative capability to participate in Title IV programs. If an institution fails to satisfy any of these criteria or comply with any other DOE regulations, the DOE may require the repayment of Title IV funds, transfer the institution from the "advance" system of payment of Title IV funds to cash monitoring status or to the "reimbursement" system of payment, place the institution on provisional certification status, or commence a proceeding to impose a fine or to limit, suspend or terminate the participation of the institution in Title IV programs. If we are found not to have satisfied the DOE's "administrative capability" requirements we could be limited in our access to, or lose, Title IV program funding, which would limit our potential for growth and adversely affect our enrollment, revenues and results of operations.

**Because we rely on a third party to administer our participation in Title IV programs, its failure to comply with applicable regulations could cause us to lose our eligibility to participate in Title IV programs.**

We have been eligible to participate in Title IV programs for a relatively short time, and we have not developed the internal capacity to handle without third-party assistance the complex administration of participation in Title IV programs. A third party assists us with administration of our participation in Title IV programs, and if it does not comply with applicable regulations, we may be liable for its actions and we could lose our eligibility to participate in Title IV programs. In addition, if it is no longer able to provide the services to us, we may not be able to replace it in a timely or cost-efficient manner, or at all, and we could lose our ability to comply with the requirements of Title IV programs, which would limit our potential for growth and adversely affect our enrollment, revenues and results of operation.

**If we pay impermissible commissions, bonuses or other incentive payments to individuals involved in recruiting, admissions or financial aid activities, we will be subject to sanctions.**

A school participating in Title IV programs may not provide any commission, bonus or other incentive payment based, directly or indirectly, on success in enrolling students or securing financial aid to any person involved in student recruiting or admission activities or in making decisions regarding the awarding of Title IV program funds. If we pay a bonus, commission, or other incentive payment in violation of applicable DOE rules, we could be subject to sanctions, which could have a material adverse effect on our business. Effective July 1, 2011, the DOE abolished 12 safe harbors that described permissible arrangements under the incentive payment regulation. Abolition of the safe harbors and other aspects of the new regulation may create uncertainty about what constitutes impermissible incentive payments. The modified incentive payment rule and related uncertainty as to how it will be interpreted also may influence our approach, or limit our alternatives, with respect to employment policies and practices and consequently may affect negatively our ability to recruit and retain employees, and as a result our business could be materially and adversely affected.

In addition, the General Accounting Office, or the GAO, has issued a report critical of the DOE's enforcement of the incentive payment rule, and the DOE has undertaken to increase its enforcement efforts. If the DOE determines that an institution violated the incentive payment rule, it may require the institution to modify its payment arrangements to the DOE's satisfaction. The DOE may also fine the institution or initiate action to limit, suspend, or terminate the institution's participation in the Title IV programs. The DOE may also seek to recover Title IV funds disbursed in connection with the prohibited incentive payments. In addition, third parties may file qui tam or whistleblower suits on behalf of the DOE alleging violation of the incentive payment provision. Such suits may prompt DOE investigations. Particularly in light of the uncertainty surrounding the new incentive payment rule, the existence of, the costs of responding to, and the outcome of, qui tam or whistleblower suits or DOE investigations could have a material adverse effect on our reputation causing our enrollments to decline and could cause us to incur costs that are material to our business, among other things. As a result, our business could be materially and adversely affected.

**If our student loan default rates are too high, we may lose eligibility to participate in Title IV programs.**

DOE regulations provide that an institution's participation in Title IV programs ends when historical default rates reach a certain level in a single year or for a number of years. Because of our limited experience enrolling students who are participating in these programs, we have no historical default rates. Relatively few students are expected to enter the repayment phase in the near term, which could result in defaults by a few students having a relatively large impact on our default rate. If Aspen loses its eligibility to participate in Title IV programs because of high student loan default rates, our students would no longer be eligible to use Title IV program funds in our institution, which would significantly reduce our enrollments and revenues and have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

**Increased scrutiny of accrediting agencies by the Secretary of Education and the U.S. Congress may result in increased scrutiny of institutions, we may lose our ability to participate in Title IV programs.**

Increased regulatory scrutiny of accrediting agencies and their accreditation of universities is likely to continue. While Aspen is accredited by the DETC, a DOE-recognized accrediting body, if the DOE were to limit, suspend, or terminate the DETC's recognition, we could lose our ability to participate in the Title IV programs. While the DOE has provisionally certified Aspen, there are no assurances that we will remain certified. If we were unable to rely on DETC accreditation in such circumstances, among other things, our students and our institution would be ineligible to participate in the Title IV programs, and such consequence would have a material adverse effect on enrollments, revenues and results of operations. In addition, increased scrutiny of accrediting agencies by the Secretary of Education in connection with the DOE's recognition process may result in increased scrutiny of institutions by accrediting agencies.

Furthermore, because the for-profit education sector is growing at such a rapid pace, it is possible that accrediting bodies will respond to that growth by adopting additional criteria, standards and policies that are intended to monitor, regulate or limit the growth of for-profit institutions like us. Actions by, or relating to, an accredited institution, including any change in the legal status, form of control, or ownership/management of the institution, any significant changes in the institution's financial position, or any significant growth or decline in enrollment and/or programs, could open up an accredited institution to additional reviews by the DETC.

**If Aspen fails to meet standards regarding gainful employment, it may result in the loss of eligibility to participate in Title IV programs.**

The DOE's regulations on gainful employment programs became effective July 1, 2012. Should a program fail the gainful employment metrics three times within a four year period, the DOE would terminate the program's eligibility for federal student aid (i.e., students in the program would immediately lose eligibility to participate in Title IV programs), and the institution would not be able to reestablish the program's eligibility for at least three years, though the program could continue to operate without Title IV funding. The earliest a program could lose eligibility under the gainful employment rule will be 2015, based on its 2012, 2013, and 2014 performance under the metrics. Because the DOE's gainful employment rules will be implemented over several years and are based at least in part on data that is unavailable to us, it is not possible at this time to determine with any degree of certainty whether these new regulations will cause any of our programs to become ineligible to participate in the Title IV programs. However, under this new regulation, the continuing eligibility of our educational programs for Title IV funding is at risk due to factors beyond our control, such as changes in the actual or deemed income level of our graduates, changes in student borrowing levels, increases in interest rates, changes in the federal poverty income level relevant for calculating discretionary income, changes in the percentage of our former students who are current in repayment of their student loans, and other factors. In addition, even though deficiencies in the metrics may be correctible on a timely basis, the disclosure requirements to students following a failure to meet the standards may adversely impact enrollment in that program and may adversely impact the reputation of our educational institutions.

**If we fail to obtain required DOE approval for new programs that prepare students for gainful employment in a recognized occupation, it could materially and adversely affect our business.**

Under the DOE regulations, an institution must notify the DOE at least 90 days before the first day of class when it intends to add a program that prepares students for gainful employment in a recognized occupation. The institution may proceed to offer the program, unless the DOE advises the institution that the DOE must approve the program for Title IV purposes. In addition, if the institution does not provide timely notice to the DOE regarding the additional program, the institution must obtain approval of the program for Title IV purposes. If the DOE denies approval, the institution may not award Title IV funds in connection with the program. Were the DOE to deny approval to one or more of our new programs, our business could be materially and adversely affected. Furthermore, compliance with these new procedures could cause delay in our ability to offer new programs and put our business at a competitive disadvantage. Compliance could also adversely affect our ability to timely offer programs of interest to our students

and potential students and adversely affect our ability to increase our revenues. As a result, our business could be materially and adversely affected.

**If we fail to comply with the DOE's substantial misrepresentation rules, it could result in sanctions against us.**

The DOE may take action against an institution in the event of substantial misrepresentation by the institution concerning the nature of its educational programs, its financial charges or the employability of its graduates. Under new regulations, the DOE has expanded the activities that constitute a substantial misrepresentation. Under the DOE regulations, an institution engages in substantial misrepresentation when the institution itself, one of its representatives, or an organization or person with which the institution has an agreement to provide educational programs, marketing, advertising, or admissions services, makes a substantial misrepresentation directly or indirectly to a student, prospective student or any member of the public, or to an accrediting agency, a state agency, or to the Secretary of Education. The final regulations define misrepresentation as any false, erroneous or misleading statement, and they define a misleading statement as any statement that has the likelihood or tendency to deceive or confuse. The final regulations define substantial misrepresentation as any misrepresentation on which the person to whom it was made could reasonably be expected to rely, or has reasonably relied, to the person's detriment. If the DOE determines that an institution has engaged in substantial misrepresentation, the DOE may revoke an institution's program participation agreement, impose limitations on an institution's participation in the Title IV programs, deny participation applications made on behalf of the institution, or initiate a proceeding against the institution to fine the institution or to limit, suspend or termination the institution's participation in the Title IV programs. We expect that there could be an increase in our industry of administrative actions and litigation claiming substantial misrepresentation, which at a minimum would increase legal costs associated with defending such actions, and as a result our business could be materially and adversely affected.

**If we fail to comply with the DOE's credit hour requirements, it could result in sanctions against us.**

The DOE has defined credit hour for Title IV purposes. The credit hour is used for Title IV purposes to define an eligible program and an academic year and to determine enrollment status and the amount of Title IV aid that an institution may disburse in a payment period. The final regulations define credit hour as an institutionally established equivalency that reasonably approximates certain specified time in class and out of class and an equivalent amount of work for other academic activities. The final regulations also require institutional accreditors to review an institution's policies, procedures, and administration of policies and procedures for assignment of credit hours. An accreditor must take appropriate actions to address an institution's credit hour deficiencies and to notify the DOE if it finds systemic noncompliance or significant noncompliance in one or more programs. The DOE has indicated that if it finds an institution to be out of compliance with the credit hour definition for Title IV purposes, it may require the institution to repay the amount of Title IV awarded under the incorrect assignment of credit hours and, if it finds significant overstatement of credit hours, it may fine the institution or limit, suspend, or terminate its participation in Title IV programs, as a result of which our business could be materially and adversely affected.

**The U.S. Congress recently conducted an examination of the for-profit postsecondary education sector that could result in legislation or additional DOE rulemaking that may limit or condition Title IV program participation of proprietary schools in a manner that may materially and adversely affect our business.**

In recent years, the U.S. Congress has increased its focus on for-profit education institutions, including with respect to their participation in the Title IV programs, and has held hearings regarding such matters. In addition, the GAO released a series of reports following undercover investigations critical of for-profit institutions. We cannot predict the extent to which, or whether, these hearings and reports will result in legislation, further rulemaking affecting our participation in Title IV programs, or more vigorous enforcement of Title IV requirements. Moreover, political consideration could result in a reduction of Title IV funding. To the extent that any laws or regulations are adopted that limit or condition Title IV program participation of proprietary schools or the amount of federal student financial aid for which proprietary school students are eligible, our business could be materially and adversely affected.

**Other Risks**

**Because our common stock is subject to the penny stock rules, brokers cannot generally solicit the purchase of our common stock which adversely affects its liquidity and market price.**

The SEC has adopted regulations which generally define penny stock to be an equity security that has a market price of less than \$5.00 per share, subject to specific exemptions. The market price of our common stock on the

Over-The-Counter Bulletin Board, or the Bulletin Board, will be substantially less than \$5.00 per share and therefore we are considered a penny stock according to SEC rules. This designation requires any broker-dealer selling these securities to disclose certain information concerning the transaction, obtain a written agreement from the purchaser and determine that the purchaser is reasonably suitable to purchase the securities. These rules limit the ability of broker-dealers to solicit purchases of our common stock and therefore reduce the liquidity of the public market for our shares.

Moreover, as a result of apparent regulatory pressure from the SEC and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, a growing number of broker-dealers decline to permit investors to purchase and sell or otherwise make it difficult to sell shares of penny stocks like Aspen Group. The penny stock designation may continue to have a depressive effect upon our common stock price.

**Because of their share ownership, our management may be able to exert control over us to the detriment of minority shareholders.**

Our executive officers and directors own approximately 15% of our outstanding common stock. These shareholders, if they act together, may be able to control our management and affairs and all matters requiring shareholder approval, including significant corporate transactions. This concentration of ownership may have the effect of delaying or preventing our change in control and might affect the market price of our common stock. For more information see page 64.

**If our common stock becomes subject to a chill imposed by the Depository Trust Company, or DTC, your ability to sell your shares may be limited.**

The DTC acts as a depository or nominee for street name shares that investors deposit with their brokers. Until the fourth quarter of 2012, our stock was not eligible to be electronically transferred among DTC participants (broker-dealers) and required delivery of paper certificates as a result of a chill imposed by DTC. As a result of becoming DTC-Eligible, our common stock is no longer subject to a chill. However, DTC in the last several years has increasingly imposed a chill or freeze on the deposit, withdrawal and transfer of common stock of issuers whose common stock trades on the Bulletin Board. Depending on the type of restriction, a chill or freeze can prevent shareholders from buying or selling shares and prevent companies from raising money. A chill or freeze may remain imposed on a security for a few days or an extended period of time (in at least one instance a number of years). While we have no reason to believe a chill or freeze will be imposed against our common stock again in the future, if it were your ability to sell your shares would be limited. In such event, your investment will be adversely affected.

**Due to factors beyond our control, our stock price may be volatile.**

Any of the following factors could affect the market price of our common stock:

Our failure to generate increasing material revenues;

Our failure to become profitable;

Our failure to raise working capital;

Our public disclosure of the terms of any financing which we consummate in the future;

Disclosure of the results of our monthly tuition plan;

Actual or anticipated variations in our quarterly results of operations including class starts by existing student and new enrollments;

Announcements by us or our competitors of significant contracts, new services, acquisitions, commercial relationships, joint ventures or capital commitments;

The DOE's failure to approve our application for permanent certification or its imposition of material conditions on our activities;

The loss of Title IV funding or other regulatory actions;

Our failure to meet financial analysts' performance expectations;

Changes in earnings estimates and recommendations by financial analysts;

The sale of large numbers of shares of common stock which we have registered;

Short selling activities; or

Changes in market valuations of similar companies.

In the past, following periods of volatility in the market price of a company's securities, securities class action litigation has often been instituted. A securities class action suit against us could result in substantial costs and divert our management's time and attention, which would otherwise be used to benefit our business.

**Because we may issue preferred stock without the approval of our shareholders and have other anti-takeover defenses, it may be more difficult for a third party to acquire us and could depress our stock price.**

Our Board may issue, without a vote of our shareholders, one or more additional series of preferred stock that have more than one vote per share. This could permit our Board to issue preferred stock to investors who support us and our management and give effective control of our business to our management. Additionally, issuance of preferred stock could block an acquisition resulting in both a drop in our stock price and a decline in interest of our common stock. This could make it more difficult for shareholders to sell their common stock. This could also cause the market price of our common stock shares to drop significantly, even if our business is performing well.

**An investment in Aspen Group may be diluted in the future as a result of the issuance of additional securities.**

If we need to raise additional capital to meet our working capital needs, we expect to issue additional shares of common stock or securities convertible, exchangeable or exercisable into common stock from time to time, which could result in substantial dilution to investors. Investors should anticipate being substantially diluted based upon the current condition of the capital and credit markets and their impact on small companies.

**Because we may not be able to attract the attention of major brokerage firms, it could have a material impact upon the price of our common stock.**

It is not likely that securities analysts of major brokerage firms will provide research coverage for our common stock since these firms cannot recommend the purchase of our common stock under the penny stock rules referenced in an earlier risk factor. The absence of such coverage limits the likelihood that an active market will develop for our common stock. It may also make it more difficult for us to attract new investors at times when we require additional capital.

**Since we intend to retain any earnings for development of our business for the foreseeable future, you will likely not receive any dividends for the foreseeable future.**

We have not and do not intend to pay any dividends in the foreseeable future, as we intend to retain any earnings for development and expansion of our business operations. As a result, you will not receive any dividends on your investment for an indefinite period of time.

**If we do not successfully defend the pending litigation brought by our former chairman and large shareholder, we may incur material damages.**

In February 2013, our former Chairman and a company he controls sued us, certain senior management members and our directors in state court in New York seeking damages arising from losses and other matters incurred in the operation of Aspen's business since May 2011, our filings with the SEC and the DOE where we stated that he and his company borrowed \$2.2 million without board authority and our failure to use our best efforts to purchase certain shares of common stock from him following an April 4, 2012 Agreement. See page 68 below. While we have been advised by our counsel that the lawsuit is baseless, we cannot assure you that we will be successful. Defending the litigation will be expensive and divert our management from Aspen's business. If we are unsuccessful, the damages we pay may be material. See page 52 below for a further description of the litigation.

#### **CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS**

This prospectus includes forward-looking statements including statements regarding liquidity, expected positive cash flow, anticipated marketing spending and capital expenditures and our DOE application for permanent certification. All statements other than statements of historical facts contained in this prospectus, including statements regarding our

future financial position, liquidity, business strategy and plans and objectives of management for future operations, are forward-looking statements. The words believe, may, estimate, continue, anticipate, intend, should, plan, potential, is likely, will, expect and similar expressions, as they relate to us, are intended to identify forward-looking statements. We have based these forward-looking statements largely on our current expectations and projections about future events and financial trends that we believe may affect our financial condition, results of operations, business strategy and financial needs. These forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks, uncertainties and assumptions described in Risk Factors elsewhere in this prospectus. Other sections of this prospectus may include additional factors which could adversely affect our business and financial performance. New risk factors emerge from time to time and it is not possible for us to predict all such risk factors, nor can we assess the impact of all such risk factors on our business or the extent to which any risk factor, or combination of risk factors, may cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statements. Except as otherwise required by applicable laws, we undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements or the risk factors described in this prospectus, whether as a result of new information, future events, changed circumstances or any other reason after the date of this prospectus.

## **DILUTION**

Except for the shares underlying the warrants, the shares of common stock to be sold by the selling shareholder are issued and outstanding. Accordingly, there will be no dilution to our existing shareholders except to the extent warrants are exercised.

## PRIVATE PLACEMENTS

From March to July 2012, we sold approximately \$1.7 million of secured convertible notes, or Notes, and approximately 1.3 million warrants to purchase our common stock from which we received approximately \$1.4 million in net proceeds. The Notes converted into Aspen Group's common stock at \$0.3325 per share. The warrants are exercisable over a five-year period and are exercisable at \$0.3325 per share. Additionally, 202,334 shares and 50,591 warrants were issued in connection with accumulated interest accruing as of the conversion date.

In September 2012, we sold \$2,757,000 of units. The units contained 7,877,144 shares of common stock and 3,938,570 five-year warrants exercisable at \$0.50 per share.

In December 2012, we sold \$715,000 of units. The units contained 2,042,857 shares of common stock and 1,021,432 five-year warrants exercisable at \$0.50 per share.

In February 2013, we sold \$315,000 of units. The units contained 900,000 shares of common stock and 450,000 five-year warrants exercisable at \$0.50 per share.

In March 2013, we sold \$250,000 of units. The units contained 714,286 shares of common stock and 357,143 five-year warrants exercisable at \$0.50 per share.

In April 2013, we sold \$600,328 of units. The units contained 1,715,217 shares of common stock and 857,606 five-year warrants exercisable at \$0.50 per share.

In September 2013, we sold the Debenture and 6,736,842 warrants in a private placement offering to Hillair Capital Investments L.P., or Hillair, for gross proceeds of \$2.0 million. The Debenture pays 8% interest per annum, payable monthly on the first day of each calendar month beginning on November 1, 2013 and is convertible into shares of our common stock at \$0.3325 per share at any time at the option of the holder. Aspen Group is required to redeem 25% of the Debenture on November 1, 2014 and January 1, 2015 and the remaining 50% on April 1, 2015. The warrants are exercisable over a five-year period at \$0.3325 per share.

This prospectus covers the offer and sale of the common stock issuable upon exercise of the warrants issued to Hillair. The shares underlying the Debenture issued to Hillair are not being registered hereunder.

We used, or are using, the proceeds from the private placements to support our growth and for general corporate purposes, including working capital.

### **USE OF PROCEEDS**

We will not receive any proceeds upon the sale of shares by the selling shareholder. We will however receive proceeds from the exercise of the warrants. We plan on using these proceeds received from the selling shareholder to support our growth and for general corporate purposes, including working capital.

## CAPITALIZATION

The following table sets forth our capitalization as of July 31, 2013. The table should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes included elsewhere herein:

		As of <b>July 31,</b> <b>2013</b>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	641,009
Restricted Cash		265,310
Debt:		
Convertible notes (includes \$600,000 to related parties)		800,000
Loan payable to related party		1,000,491
Line of Credit		245,482
Shareholders' deficiency:		
Common stock		59,190
Treasury stock		(70,000)
Additional paid-in capital		13,667,387
Accumulated deficit		(13,845,662)
Total shareholders' deficiency	\$	(194,085)

The table above does not include the \$2,240,000 Debenture issued to Hillair. See the description above under "Private Placements".

## MARKET FOR COMMON STOCK

Our stock trades on the Bulletin Board, under the symbol ASPU. Since March 31, 2011, Aspen Group's common stock has been quoted on the Bulletin Board. The last reported sale price of our common stock as reported by the Bulletin Board on October 10, 2013 was \$0.21. As of that date, we had approximately 240 record holders of our common stock and we believe that there are substantially more beneficial owners than record holders.

The following table provides the high and low bid price information for our common stock for the periods our stock was quoted on the Bulletin Board. For the period our stock was quoted on the Bulletin Board, the prices reflect

inter-dealer prices, without retail mark-up, mark-down or commission and does not necessarily represent actual transactions. Our common stock does not trade on a regular basis.

Year	Period Ended	Prices (1)(2)	
		High	Low
2013	July 31	\$ 0.51	\$ 0.25
	April 30	\$ 0.55	\$ 0.26
	January 31	\$ 0.80	\$ 0.50
2012	October 31	\$ 3.75	\$ 0.75
	July 31	\$ 3.75	\$ 3.75
	April 30	\$ 6.50	\$ 3.28
	January 31	\$ 6.50	\$ 6.50
2011	October 31	\$ 6.50	\$ 6.50

(1) All prices give effect to a 12-for-1 forward stock split effected in June 2011.

(2) All prices give effect to a 1-for-2.5 reverse stock split effected in February 2012.

### Dividend Policy

We have not paid cash dividends on our common stock and do not plan to pay such dividends in the foreseeable future. Our Board will determine our future dividend policy on the basis of many factors, including results of operations, capital requirements, and general business conditions. Under the Debenture, we are precluded from paying cash dividends.

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

*This discussion should be read in conjunction with the other sections contained herein, including the risk factors and the consolidated financial statements and the related exhibits contained herein. The various sections of this discussion contain a number of forward-looking statements, all of which are based on our current expectations and could be affected by the uncertainties and risk factors described throughout this prospectus as well as other matters over which we have no control. Our actual results may differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of certain factors, including but not limited to those set forth in this prospectus. See Risk Factors and Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements.*

### **Company Overview**

Founded in 1987, Aspen's mission is to become an institution of choice for adult learners by offering cost-effective, comprehensive, and relevant online education. One of the key differences between Aspen and other publicly-traded, exclusively online, for-profit universities is that a majority of our full-time degree-seeking students are enrolled in a graduate degree program (master or doctorate degree program). According to publicly available information, Aspen enrolls a larger percentage of its full-time degree-seeking students in graduate degree programs than its publicly-traded competitors. As of September 30, 2013, 2,151 students were enrolled as full-time degree seeking students with 1,858 of those students or 86% in a master or doctoral graduate degree program. In addition, 1,043 students were engaged in part-time programs, such as continuing education courses, certificate level programs and active duty military students enrolled in undergraduate programs. Therefore, Aspen's student body totaled 3,194 as of September 30, 2013.

Among online, for-profit universities, Aspen ranks among the leaders relative to the closely analyzed industry metrics such as high student graduation rates, high student course completion rates and high student satisfaction rates. During 2012, Aspen had a student graduation rate of 58%, a student course completion rate of 90% and a student satisfaction rate of 95% (calculated in accordance with DETC guidelines which is the average completion and satisfaction rate of students in our top 10 most popular courses).

### **Student Population**

Aspen's degree-seeking student body increased by 21% during the three month period ended July 31, 2013 or the 2013 Quarter from 2,024 to 2,453 students. Among Aspen's degree seeking programs, the Master of Nursing program grew

25% during this quarter from 375 students to 467 students. When compared to the number of students in the Master of Nursing program at July 31, 2012 to July 31, 2013, the program grew from 141 students to 467 or 231%. As of July 31, 2013, Aspen's School of Nursing represented 23% of the full-time, degree-seeking student body.

In April 2013, Aspen terminated its relationship with CLS 123, LLC, or CLS, which referred Verizon certificate and military students, a step allowing Aspen to focus its efforts on its core business of building a predominantly graduate student body. The 120-day exit period under the CLS relationship ended on August 3, 2013. For 2013, Aspen management expects the total student body growth rate to lag that of the full-time degree-seeking student population as a result of the CLS relationship being terminated.

### **Results of Operations**

#### **For the Three Months Ended July 31, 2013 Compared with the Three Months Ended July 31, 2012**

#### **Revenue**

Revenue from continuing operations for the 2013 Quarter increased to \$929,993 from \$698,152 for the three months ended July 31, 2012, or the 2012 Quarter, an increase of 33%. The increase is primarily attributable to the growth in Aspen student enrollments and the increase in average tuition rates from approximately \$500 to \$700 per credit hour for the comparable periods. Of particular note, revenue from Aspen's Nursing degree program increased to \$231,980 during the 2013 Quarter from \$69,825 during the 2012 Quarter, an increase of 232%.

Our 2013 Quarter and 2012 Quarter revenues were impacted by the 2011 (and previous years) pre-payment tuition plan, or the Legacy Tuition Plan, which was discontinued on July 15, 2011. The Legacy Tuition Plan had students pre-paying tuition for a degree program's first four courses (\$675/course) and a steeply discounted tuition rate for the program's eight course balance (\$112.50/course). Specifically, the Legacy Tuition Plan produced immediate cash flow, but unsustainably low gross profit margins over the length of the degree program. As of July 31, 2013, 668 of our full-time degree-seeking students were still enrolled under the Legacy Tuition Plan. However the contribution from Legacy Tuition Plan students to overall Aspen revenue and profits diminished steadily as the number of full-time degree-seeking students paying regular tuition rates increased to 68% of the population and the number of Legacy Tuition Plan students fell to 32%. Accordingly, as much as fiscal 2013 (April 30, 2013 year-end) was affected negatively by the lingering impact of the Legacy Tuition Plan, future revenue should demonstrate a dramatically diminished effect from the Legacy Tuition Plan and a much greater contribution from the growing number of regular rate students. In fact, Aspen Group expects Legacy Tuition Plan students' contribution to financial results to be immaterial for the full year 2014 (ending April 30, 2014), and on a quarterly basis to be immaterial no later than the second quarter of fiscal 2014.

#### **Cost of Revenues (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)**

The Company's cost of revenues consist of instructional costs and services and marketing and promotional costs.

#### **Instructional Costs and Services**

Instructional costs and services for the 2013 Quarter rose to \$224,381 from \$223,889 for the 2012 Quarter, an increase of \$492 or less than 0.25%. As student enrollment levels increase, instructional costs and services should rise proportionately. However, as Aspen increases its full-time degree-seeking student enrollments and related class starts, the higher gross margins associated with such students should lead to the growth rate in instructional costs and services to significantly lag that of overall revenue growth.

#### **Marketing and Promotional**

Marketing and promotional costs for the 2013 Quarter was \$335,089 compared to \$387,883 for the 2012 Quarter, a decrease of \$52,795 or 14%. These expenses are primarily attributable to marketing efficiency. If Aspen accelerates its growth, it is highly likely that these expenditures will increase in future quarters as enrollment continues to grow. Factors that may mitigate the expected increase include the economies realized in cost per lead as well as the yield realized in terms of higher enrollments per unit of marketing and promotional spending and potential organic growth opportunities.

## **Costs and Expenses**

### **General and Administrative**

General and administrative costs for the 2013 Quarter were \$1,373,056 compared to \$1,393,282 during the 2012 Quarter, a decrease of \$20,225 or 2%. Although the difference is only \$20,225, several components have changed significantly year over year. Professional accounting fees declined \$89,533 during the 2013 Quarter as compared to 2012 Quarter, particularly as a result of reducing accounting consulting fees and reduced audit fees related to various reporting requirements. Offsetting the reduced professional expense were Investor Relations fees of \$59,010 in the 2013 Quarter as well as Aspen's biannual formal graduation ceremony in July 2013. Investor relations fees increased 100% over the 2012 Quarter and graduation expenses were \$24,789, an increase of 100% over 2012 Quarter. Payroll expense in 2013 Quarter was up \$93,254 or 15%. Offsetting these increases was a \$112,527 decrease or 62% in consulting expense reflecting the hiring of third parties to perform important functions. Stock based compensation included in general and administration expense increased by \$96,655 or 83% as a result of stock option grants under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan.

Overall general and administrative costs are expected to experience moderate growth in fiscal 2014 from fiscal 2013 as the cost associated with state regulatory compliance and DOE reporting requirements on topics such as gainful employment standards will continue to increase in the future.

### **Receivable Collateral Valuation Reserve**

A non-cash valuation reserve of \$309,117 was recorded for the quarter ended July 31, 2012 to reflect the drop in the collateral supporting the related accounts receivable. An additional \$193,198 was recorded in September 2012. No additional reserve has been required since that time.

### **Depreciation and Amortization**

Depreciation and amortization costs for the 2013 Quarter rose to \$109,435 from \$98,571 for the 2012 Quarter, an increase of 11%. The increase is primarily attributable to higher levels of capitalized technology costs as Aspen continues the infrastructure build-out initiated in 2011.

### **Interest Income (Expense)**

Interest income for the 2013 Quarter increased to \$289 from \$104 in the 2012 Quarter, an increase of \$185. Interest expense decreased \$111,624 or 87% primarily due to the amortization of debt issuance costs of \$85,565 and interest on notes payable of \$23,857 in the 2012 Quarter. In the 2013 Quarter, there was the addition of \$8,333 of interest expense on the loan payable to the Chief Executive Officer. With the closing of the Debenture financing in late September, we expect interest expense to increase beginning with the first quarter ending October 31, 2013. The full impact will be realized in the quarter ending January 31, 2014.

### **Income Taxes**

Income taxes expense (benefit) for the 2013 Quarter and 2012 Quarter was \$0 as Aspen Group experienced operating losses in both periods. As management made a full valuation allowance against the deferred tax assets stemming from these losses, there was no tax benefit recorded in the statement of operations in both periods.

### **Net Loss**

Net loss for the 2013 Quarter was (\$1,105,576) as compared to (\$1,752,227) for the 2012 Quarter, a decrease of \$646,651 or approximately 37%. The decrease is primarily attributable to the improvement in revenue and other improvements discussed above.

### **Discontinued Operations**

As of March 31, 2013, Aspen Group discontinued business activities related to its agreement with CLS. See Note 1 of the unaudited consolidated financial statements contained herein. The following table details the results of the discontinued operations for the 2013 Quarter and 2012 Quarter:

	<b>For the Three Months Ended July 31,</b>	
	<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>
	<b>(Unaudited)</b>	
Revenues	\$ 222,625	\$ 659,790
Costs and expenses:		
Cost of revenue	200,362	569,747
Total costs and expenses	200,362	569,747
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of income taxes	\$ 22,263	\$ 90,043

#### **Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

The following discussion and analysis includes both financial measures in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, or GAAP, as well as non-GAAP financial measures. Generally, a non-GAAP financial measure is a numerical measure of a company's performance, financial position or cash flows that either excludes or includes amounts that are not normally included or excluded in the most directly comparable measure calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP. Non-GAAP financial measures should be viewed as supplemental to, and should not be considered as alternatives to net income, operating income, and cash flow from operating activities, liquidity or any other financial measures. They may not be indicative of the historical operating results of Aspen Group nor are they intended to be predictive of potential future results. Investors should not consider non-GAAP financial measures in isolation or as substitutes for performance measures calculated in accordance with GAAP.

Our management uses and relies on Adjusted EBITDA and Gross Profit (exclusive of depreciation and amortization), which are non-GAAP financial measures. We believe that both management and shareholders benefit from referring to the following non-GAAP financial measures in planning, forecasting and analyzing future periods. Our management uses these non-GAAP financial measures in evaluating its financial and operational decision making and as a means to evaluate period-to-period comparison. Our management recognizes that the non-GAAP financial measures have inherent limitations because of the described excluded items.

Aspen Group defines Adjusted EBITDA as earnings (or loss) from continuing operations before interest expense, income taxes, bad debt expense, depreciation and amortization, and amortization of stock-based compensation. Adjusted EBITDA is an important measure of our operating performance because it allows management, investors and analysts to evaluate and assess our core operating results from period-to-period after removing the impact of items of a non-operational nature that affect comparability.

Aspen Group defines Gross Profit (exclusive of depreciation and amortization), a non-GAAP financial measure, as revenues less cost of revenues (instructional costs and services and marketing and promotional costs) excluding the amortization of courseware and software. This measure excludes non-cash items and permits our management to focus on core operating results.

We have included a reconciliation of our non-GAAP financial measures to the most comparable financial measure calculated in accordance with GAAP. We believe that providing the non-GAAP financial measures, together with the reconciliation to GAAP, helps investors make comparisons between Aspen Group and other companies. In making any comparisons to other companies, investors need to be aware that companies use different non-GAAP measures to evaluate their financial performance. Investors should pay close attention to the specific definition being used and to the reconciliation between such measure and the corresponding GAAP measure provided by each company under applicable SEC rules.

The following table presents a reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA to Net loss allocable to common shareholders, a GAAP financial measure:

<b>Three Months Ended</b>					
		<b>July 31,</b>			
<b>2013</b>		<b>(Unaudited)</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>Difference</b>	<b>Change %</b>
Net loss	\$ (1,105,576)		\$ (1,752,227)	\$ 646,651	(37)%

Interest  
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15,871 *Phase II Trial*

We are also conducting a separate Phase II clinical trial of the Delcath PHP System with melphalan in patients with primary and metastatic hepatic malignancies (liver cancer), stratified into four arms: neuroendocrine tumors (carcinoid and pancreatic islet cell), hepatocellular carcinoma (primary liver cancer), ocular or cutaneous melanoma (eye or skin cancer), and metastatic adenocarcinoma (glandular cancer). The primary objective of this trial is to determine the response rate and duration of response to the administration of melphalan with the Delcath PHP System. Secondary objectives of this trial are to determine patterns of reoccurrence and the disease free and survival rates following treatment using the Delcath PHP System, evaluate the safety and tolerability of treatment using the Delcath PHP System and assess filter characteristics. Based on promising initial clinical results, we plan to focus our efforts on enrolling patients for the treatment of metastatic neuroendocrine cancer.

#### ***Phase I Trials***

*Melphalan Proof-of-Concept Studies.* In 2004, we completed a multi-arm Phase I feasibility and dose-escalation trial evaluating the safety and tolerability of melphalan delivered to the liver using the Delcath PHP System in patients with primary and metastatic hepatic tumors. The primary objective of this study was to determine the maximum tolerated dose and potential dose-limiting toxicities of melphalan infusion to the liver using the PHP System. In this trial, we determined that the delivery of melphalan using the Delcath PHP System was feasible, with limited and manageable toxicity. Specifically we observed a maximum tolerated dose and dose-limiting toxicity of 3.0 mg/kg and 3.5 mg/kg, respectively. This dosing compares favorably to a 0.25 mg/kg standard label dose of melphalan delivered intravenously to the liver.

*Delcath PHP System Safety Studies.* Our early studies also included Phase I studies designed to demonstrate the safety of the Delcath PHP System and its ability to administer to and extract from the liver three different approved and marketed chemotherapy agents, including melphalan.

#### ***Results***

Our Phase I clinical trials demonstrated that the Delcath PHP System is capable of delivering ten times more of the chemotherapy agent to the treated region, and the effective concentration at

the tumor site is nearly 100 times greater, than traditional delivery methods. An equivalent dose of melphalan administered intravenously would destroy a patient's bone marrow which would be fatal without a bone marrow transplant.

The Delcath PHP System also controls systemic toxicities by isolating the circulation of the organ or region from the patient's circulatory system. This allows a higher dose of a chemotherapeutic agent to be used than would be safe to deliver intravenously. Our Phase I clinical trials demonstrated that the Delcath PHP System is capable of extracting approximately 85% of the chemotherapy agent administered to the liver, which reduces the exposure of healthy tissue and organs to the effects of these chemotherapeutic agents.

#### **Strategic Alliances**

We continue to actively pursue strategic partners to develop markets in China, Korea, Japan and Europe and from time to time are engaged in negotiations with potential partners. We are also pursuing U.S. pharmaceutical partners to co-develop and fund additional indications for the Delcath PHP System.

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**Sales and Marketing**

We plan to seek one or more corporate partners to market products outside the U.S. We believe distribution or corporate partnering arrangements internationally will be cost effective, can be implemented more quickly than a direct sales force and will enable us to capitalize on local marketing expertise in the countries we target. We intend to market the Delcath PHP System in the U.S. ourselves focusing our initial marketing efforts on the over fifty NCI-designated cancer centers in the U.S., beginning with the hospitals participating in the Phase III clinical trial. We plan to focus our efforts on three distinct groups of medical specialists in these comprehensive cancer centers:

surgeons who administer the Delcath PHP System;

oncologists who have primary responsibility for the cancer patient; and

interventional radiologists who are physicians specialized in working with catheter-based systems.

**Third-Party Reimbursement**

Because the Delcath PHP System is characterized by the FDA as an experimental device, it is not currently reimbursable in the U.S. After it is approved by the FDA, we will seek to have third-party payers, such as Medicare, Medicaid and private health insurance plans, reimburse the cost of the Delcath PHP System and the associated procedures.

In the U.S., third-party payors consist of government programs, such as Medicare, private health insurance plans, managed care organizations and other similar programs. Three factors are key to the reimbursement of any product:

Coding, which ensures uniform descriptions of the procedures, diagnoses and medical products involved;

Coverage, which is the payor's policy describing the clinical circumstances under which it will pay for a given treatment; and

Payment processes and amounts. Outside of the U.S., government managed health care systems and private insurance control reimbursement for devices and procedures.

Attractive reimbursement levels for hospitals and physicians can speed the rate at which our technology is adopted as a standard of care for treating tumors in the liver. Currently there is no unique code for the Delcath PHP System. However, many of the component parts of the procedure, such as arterial catheterization and vascular imaging, are currently reimbursable.

We have retained an expert in medical coding and reimbursement to assist us in developing a strategy to maximize reimbursement for the Delcath PHP System. We are compiling data comparing the Delcath PHP System with alternative cancer treatments to prepare an analysis of the relative procedure costs and the expected therapeutic advantages of the Delcath PHP System to support our efforts to secure coding, coverage and reimbursement.

### **Manufacturing**

We plan to assemble, sterilize and package the Delcath PHP System kit at our facility in Kingsbury, New York. We currently utilize contract manufacturers to manufacture the components of the Delcath PHP System. The Delcath PHP System kit components must be manufactured and sterilized in accordance with manufacturing and performance specifications that will be established under the device premarket application.

The catheters and catheter accessories contained within the Delcath PHP System kit are being manufactured domestically by the OEM division of B. Braun Medical, Inc. Medtronic USA, Inc. manufactures the components of the blood filtration circuit, including the medical tubing through which a patient's blood flows and various

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connectors, as well as the blood filtration pump accessories. Bipore Medical Devices, Inc. manufactures the filters used with the Delcath PHP System. Delcath is working with Bipore and other filter manufacturers to develop other specialized filters for use within the Delcath PHP System. Our suppliers' manufacturing facilities are ISO 13485 approved. We have not entered into a written agreement with any of our suppliers to manufacture the Delcath PHP System either for the clinical trials or for commercial sale.

### **Competition**

The healthcare industry is characterized by extensive research, rapid technological progress and significant competition from numerous healthcare companies and academic institutions. Competition in the cancer treatment industry is intense. We believe that the primary competitive factors for products addressing cancer include safety, efficacy, ease of use, reliability and price. We also believe that physician relationships, especially relationships with leaders in the medical and surgical oncology communities, are important competitive factors.

The Delcath PHP System competes with all forms of liver cancer treatments. Many of our competitors have substantially greater financial, technological, research and development, marketing and personnel resources. In addition, some of our competitors have considerable experience in conducting clinical trials and in regulatory approval procedures. Our competitors may develop more effective or more affordable products or treatment methods, or achieve earlier product development, in which case the likelihood of our achieving meaningful revenues or profitability will be substantially reduced.

### **Government Regulation**

**General.** The Delcath PHP System is regulated by the FDA as a combination product consisting of a device and a drug. The manufacture and sale of medical devices and drugs are subject to extensive governmental regulation in the U.S. and in other countries. The Delcath PHP System is regulated in the U.S. by the FDA under the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act. As such, it requires FDA approval of a premarket approval application for the device component and Section 505(b)(2) NDA or accelerated NDA for the drug prior to

the commercial distribution of the Delcath PHP System.

Melphalan, the drug that we are initially seeking to have approved for use with the Delcath PHP System, is a widely used chemotherapy agent that has already been approved by the FDA for use at a lower dose than we propose. The approved labeling for melphalan includes indications for use, method of action, dosing, side effects and contraindications. Because the Delcath PHP System delivers the drug through a different mode of administration and at a dose strength that is substantially higher than that currently approved, we will be seeking a revised label of melphalan for use with the Delcath PHP System through a Section 505(b)(2) NDA or accelerated NDA. The clinical trials are designed to provide the necessary clinical data to support this required labeling change.

Our contract manufacturers are also subject to numerous federal, state and local laws relating to matters such as safe working conditions, manufacturing practices, environmental protection, and disposal of hazardous or potentially hazardous substances.

**Medical Devices.** The Delcath PHP System is a Class III medical device. Class III medical devices are subject to the most stringent regulatory controls to assure reasonable safety and effectiveness. FDA premarket approval is required for most Class III medical devices. An application for premarket approval must be supported by data about the device and its components, including the manufacturing and labeling of the device, the results of animal and laboratory testing and data from human clinical trials. The conduct of Phase III clinical trials is subject to extensive regulation and to ongoing oversight by the FDA as well as the institutional review boards at hospitals and research centers that conduct the trials. Before commencing clinical trials, we obtained an FDA-approved investigational device exemption allowing for the initiation of clinical trials. The investigational device exemption included approval of our investigational plan, including the proposed protocols and informed consent statement that patients sign before undergoing treatment with the Delcath PHP System, by the FDA and the institutional review boards at the sites where the trials are being conducted.

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We believe that the FDA will review our premarket application expeditiously. However, approval of the Delcath PHP System may take longer than anticipated if the FDA requests additional information or clarification, or if any major amendments to our application are requested. In addition, the FDA may refer this application to an advisory committee of experts. This process is referred to as a panel review, and could delay the review of the Delcath PHP System.

If the FDA's evaluations of the application, clinical study sites and manufacturing facilities are favorable, the FDA will issue either an approval letter or an approvable letter. An approvable letter contains a list of information that must be submitted or conditions that must be met to obtain full approval of an application. If and when the information is submitted or those conditions are met to the satisfaction of the FDA, the agency will issue an order of approval for the application, authorizing commercial marketing of the device for the specific indications approved. If the FDA's evaluation of the application, the clinical study sites or the manufacturing facilities is not favorable, the FDA may deny approval of the application or issue a not approvable letter. The FDA may also determine that additional preclinical testing or human clinical trials should be performed before approval, or that post-approval studies must be conducted.

Approved medical devices remain subject to extensive ongoing regulation. Advertising and promotional activities are subject to regulation by the FDA and by the Federal Trade Commission. Other ongoing FDA medical device reporting regulations require that we provide information to the FDA on any deaths or serious adverse events that may have been caused or contributed to by the use of marketed device and product malfunctions that would likely cause or contribute to a death or serious injury if the malfunction were to recur.

**Drugs.** Delcath must obtain a change to the current approved label for the drug melphalan before the Delcath PHP System may be marketed in the U.S. The current FDA-approved labeling for melphalan provides for administration of the drug at lower doses than we are currently using and does not provide for its delivery with the Delcath PHP System. We have no assurance that the FDA will approve the application for a change to the current label.

The Phase III clinical trial protocol using melphalan is designed to obtain approval of both new drug labeling and a premarket approval application providing for the use of melphalan with the Delcath PHP System. The trial protocol was accepted by both the FDA division that approves new drugs and the division that reviews applications to market new devices. All of the data generated in the trial will be submitted to both of these FDA divisions.

Under the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, the Delcath PHP System cannot be marketed until a new drug application and the device premarket approval application are approved, and then only in conformity with any conditions of use set forth in the approved labeling.

**Orphan Drug Regulation.** The Orphan Drug Act provides for a seven-year period of exclusive marketing to the sponsor who obtains marketing approval for that designated orphan drug or biological product. Exclusivity begins on the date that the marketing application is approved by FDA for the designated orphan drug, and the exclusivity only applies to the indication for which the drug has been approved. An orphan designation does not limit the use of that drug in other applications outside the approved designation in either a commercial or investigational setting. The FDA has granted Delcath four orphan drug designations. In November 2008, the FDA granted Delcath two orphan-drug designations for the drug melphalan for the treatment of patients with cutaneous melanoma as well as patients with ocular melanoma. In May 2009, the FDA granted Delcath an additional orphan-drug designation of the drug melphalan for the treatment of patients with neuroendocrine tumors. In August 2009, the FDA granted Delcath an orphan-drug designation of the drug doxorubicin for the treatment of patients with primary liver cancer.

**Foreign Regulation.** In order for our products to be marketed and sold in Asia, Europe, Latin America or other foreign jurisdictions, we must obtain the required regulatory approvals or clearances and comply with the extensive regulations regarding safety, manufacturing processes and quality requirements of the respective countries. These regulations, including the requirements for approvals to market, may differ from the FDA regulatory framework. In addition, there may be foreign regulatory barriers other than approval or clearance.

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The European Economic Area (EEA) has an agreement between member states of the European Free Trade Association (EFTA), the European Community (EC), and all member states of the European Union (EU) regarding certain certifications for medical devices. The CE marking (also known as CE mark) is a mandatory conformity mark on many products placed on the single market in the EEA. The CE marking does not certify that a product has met EU consumer safety, health or environmental requirements, but can permit the marketing of a medical device once obtained. We have begun the process of seeking the CE Mark for the Delcath PHP System and hope to receive approval by mid-2010.

We have also begun the process of applying for an import license for the Delcath PHP System into China. Marketing our device in other parts of the world, including China, requires the obtaining of country specific regulatory approvals and compliance with extensive local regulations.

**Intellectual Property and Other Rights**

Our success depends in part on our ability to obtain patents, maintain trade secret protection and operate without infringing on the proprietary rights of third parties. Because of the length of time and expense associated with bringing new products through the development and regulatory approval process, the health care industry places considerable emphasis on obtaining patent and trade secret protection for new technologies, products and processes. We hold seven U.S. patents, as well as nine corresponding foreign patents and five corresponding pending foreign patent applications in Canada, Europe and Asia that we believe are or may be material to our business.

We plan to enforce our intellectual property rights vigorously. In addition, we conduct searches and other activities relating to the protection of existing patents and the filing of new applications. We seek to patent improvements that we identify through manufacturing and clinical use of the Delcath PHP System which allow us to expand the use of the Delcath PHP System beyond the treatment of cancers in the liver.

In certain circumstances, U.S. Patent law allows for the extension of a patent's duration for a period of up to five years after FDA approval.

We intend to seek extension for one of our patents after FDA approval.

We also rely on trade secrets and proprietary technological experience. We rely, in part, on confidentiality agreements with our marketing partners, employees, advisors, vendors and consultants to protect our trade secrets and proprietary technological expertise. These agreements may not provide meaningful protection of our proprietary technologies or other intellectual property if unauthorized use or disclosure occurs or if they do not adequately protect against disclosure of material proprietary information.

In addition to our proprietary protections, the FDA has granted Delcath four orphan drug designations which provides us a seven-year period of exclusive marketing beginning on the date that our marketing application is approved by FDA for the designated orphan drug. While the exclusivity only applies to the indication for which the drug has been approved, we believe that this protection will provide us with added protection while we commercialize the Delcath PHP System.

#### **Employees and Facilities**

As of September 30, 2009, we had ten full-time employees. In 2009, we hired a Controller, a Director of Plant Operations, and a Chief Financial Officer, transitioned a new Chief Executive Officer and a new Chief Medical Officer, and intend to recruit additional personnel in connection with the research, development, manufacturing and marketing of our products. None of our employees is represented by a union and we believe relationships with our employees are good.

On September 3, 2009, we announced that we signed a three-year lease with an option to buy on a 10,000 square foot facility in Kingsbury, New York, where we plan to locate assembling, sterilization and packaging of the Delcath PHP System. We anticipate hiring approximately 20 people at this facility by the end of 2009 to establish manufacturing, distribution, research and development capabilities. Since major medical device

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companies have located their catheter operations in this area for decades, the local labor force is well acquainted with the manufacturing requirements that Delcath will face as it progresses toward full-scale production of the Delcath PHP System.

**Internet Access to Periodic Reports**

We are a reporting company and file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the Commission). Our Commission filings (File No. 1-16133) are available to the public free of charge over the Internet at the Commission's web site at <http://www.sec.gov>, and on our web site at <http://www.delcath.com>. Other information contained on our web site is not part of this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus.

You may also read and copy any document we file at the Commission's public reference room located at 100 F Street, N.E., Room 1580, Washington, D.C. 20549. You may request copies of these documents by writing to the Commission and paying a fee for the copying cost.

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**MANAGEMENT****Executive Officers and Directors**

Our executive officers and directors, their current positions and their ages as of September 30, 2009 are set forth below:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>Position(s)</b>
Eamonn P. Hobbs	51	President and Chief Executive Officer, Director
David A. McDonald	49	Chief Financial Officer
Jonathan A. Foltz, MBA, CFA	48	Executive Vice President Special Projects
Krishna Kandarpa, M.D. Ph.D.	58	Executive Vice President Research and Development, Chief Medical Officer
John J. Talarico, MBA	54	Senior Vice President Regulatory Affairs and Quality Systems
Jason Rifkin, J.D., M.B.	31	Senior Vice President Clinical Affairs, Secretary
Harold S. Koplewicz, M.D.	55	Director, Chairman of the Board
Robert B. Ladd, MBA, CFA	50	Director
Richard L. Taney, J.D.	52	Director
Laura A. Philips, Ph.D., MBA	51	Director
Roger G. Stoll, Ph.D.	66	Director
Pamela R. Contag, Ph.D.	51	Director

**Eamonn P. Hobbs** was appointed President and Chief Executive Officer of Delcath in July 2009 and has been a director of the Company since October 2008. He has over 25 years of experience in the interventional radiology, interventional cardiology and gastroenterology

medical device industries. From 1988 until earlier this year, Mr. Hobbs was President and CEO of AngioDynamics, Inc. In 2004, AngioDynamics was spun off from E-Z-EM, Inc., a healthcare company focused on diagnostic technologies, where Mr. Hobbs served as Senior Vice-President since 1988. Before his involvement with these companies, Mr. Hobbs was the Director of Marketing and Product Development at NAMIC, Founder, President and CEO of Hobbs Medical, Inc., and a Product Development Engineer at Cook Incorporated. He received a Bachelor of Science in Plastics Engineering with a Biomaterials emphasis at the University of Massachusetts, Lowell in 1980. In addition, since 2001, Mr. Hobbs has served as the only industry member of the strategic planning committee of the Society of Interventional Radiology, was elected to and served from 2002 to 2008 on the Board of Directors of the Society of Interventional Radiology Foundation (SIRF) and is currently Vice Chairman of the Medical Device Manufacturers Association (MDMA).

**David A. McDonald** joined Delcath in September 2009. He was formerly the Senior Vice President of Business Development at AngioDynamics, Inc., where he led the company's business development activities. Mr. McDonald founded Minneapolis-based Cornerstone Healthcare Advisors LLC in April 2005, which he led until joining AngioDynamics in July 2008. At Cornerstone he provided advisory and consulting services to emerging medical technology companies and their financial sponsors. Prior to 2005, Mr. McDonald was a Managing Director and leader of Medical Technology Investment Banking at RBC Capital Markets. Before his involvement with these companies, Mr. McDonald was a Senior Vice President and Equity Portfolio Manager at

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Investment Advisers, Inc as well as a research analyst covering the healthcare industry for more than a dozen years. He received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Economics from St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota in 1982.

***Jonathan A. Foltz, MBA, CFA*** has been an Executive Vice President since June 2007. He had been working with Delcath in an advisory role for periods between 2001 and 2007. Mr. Foltz is a founder and Director of Os Technology, a women's health medical device company. From 1992 to 2001, he was Director of Operations at Delcath and served as Acting Chief Operating Officer from 1999 to 2001 and Acting Chief Financial Officer from 1998 to 2000. Prior to 1992, Mr. Foltz held supervisory and analytical positions at Venkol Ventures, a healthcare-focused venture capital fund, Nicholas Lawrence & Co., a regional stock brokerage, Value Line, Inc. and Walter Heller & Co. A Chartered Financial Analyst, Mr. Foltz received a B.S. in Finance and Computer Science from Lehigh University and an MBA from the University of Connecticut.

***Krishna Kandarpa, M.D., Ph.D.*** joined Delcath as Executive Vice President, Research and Development and Chief Medical Officer in October 2009. Prior to joining Delcath, from 2002 to 2009, he was a tenured Professor and former Chair of the Department of Radiology at the University of Massachusetts Medical School (UMMS) and Radiologist-in-Chief at the University of Massachusetts Memorial Medical Center. Before joining the University of Massachusetts Memorial Medical Center in 2002, he was at the Weill Medical College of Cornell University, where he was a Professor of Radiology and Chief of Service and Director of the Division of Cardiovascular & Interventional Radiology at The New York Presbyterian Hospital (Cornell). He was also a faculty member at the Harvard-Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Division of Health Sciences and Technology from 1987 to 1998. Before deciding to attend medical school at the University of Miami, Dr. Kandarpa was a Research and Development Engineer at Duracell International Laboratory for Physical Science. He earned a PhD in Engineering Science & Mechanics from Penn State University and a B.S. in Aerospace & Mechanical Engineering from Washington University (St. Louis). Dr. Kandarpa is past-President (1997-2001) and past-Chair (2001-2002) of the Cardiovascular & Interventional Radiology Research and Education Foundation (CIRREF) of the Society

of Interventional Radiology (SIR). He completed his final term on the Board of Directors of the Academy of Radiology Research in 2007. Dr. Kandarpa has authored over 50 original peer-reviewed scientific publications, including book chapters and solicited review articles, and is the author/editor of several specialized books, including *The Handbook of Interventional Radiologic Procedures*, and a new textbook entitled *Peripheral Vascular Interventions* (2008), which will be available in Chinese this year.

**John J. Talarico, MBA** has been the Senior Vice President since July 2008. From 2005 to 2008, Mr. Talarico held a similar title at Excelsior Medical and ProRhythm, Inc., manufacturers of Class II and III combination products involving a drug and device. From 1981 to 2004, he held senior engineering, quality and regulatory roles at a series of medical device companies. Mr. Talarico holds a B.E. from Stevens Institute of Technology and a Masters in Business Administration from Florida Institute of Technology.

**Jason Rifkin, J.D., M.B.** joined Delcath in June 2007 and is Senior Vice President Clinical Affairs and Secretary. Prior to joining Delcath, from 2006 to 2007, Mr. Rifkin practiced law at Fox Rothschild LLP, where he was an Associate in the Corporate Department Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology Group. From 2004 to 2006, Mr. Rifkin practiced at a boutique litigation firm in New York City, Goldstein & Weinstein. Prior to that, Mr. Rifkin worked for the Legal Aid Society. Mr. Rifkin holds a B.A. from the University of Pennsylvania, a J.D. from Northeastern University School of Law and a Masters in Biotechnology from the University of Pennsylvania, School of Engineering and Applied Sciences.

**Harold S. Koplewicz, M.D.** was first appointed a director in September 2006. He was appointed Chairman of the Board in February 2007. In May 2006, Dr. Koplewicz was appointed by then-New York Governor George Pataki to the position of Executive Director of the Nathan S. Kline Institute for Psychiatric Research, where he is the third person to hold this position since 1952. Dr. Koplewicz is also the Arnold and Debbie Simon Professor and Chairman of the Department of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and Professor of Pediatrics and founder of the NYU Child Study Center at the New York University School of Medicine. He has served as a member of the National Board of Medical Examiners and as a commissioner of the New York State Commission on Youth, Crime and Violence and Reform of the Juvenile Justice

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***Robert B. Ladd, MBA, CFA*** was first appointed a director in October 2006. Since January 2003, Mr. Ladd has served as the founder and managing member of Laddcap Value Associates LLC, the general partner of Laddcap Value Partners LP, an investment management company. From 1988 to November 2002, Mr. Ladd served as a Managing Director of Neuberger Berman, an investment management company. Mr. Ladd graduated from the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School with a B.S. in Economics in 1980. He received his MBA from Northwestern University's Kellogg School of Management in 1983. Mr. Ladd has also earned a CFA designation.

***Richard Taney, J.D.*** was first appointed a director in November 2006. Mr. Taney served as our Chief Executive Officer from December 2006 until July 2009 and our President from April 2007 until July 2009 and is currently an independent consultant. Mr. Taney was a founding partner of Sandpiper Capital Partners, an investment partnership that focuses on private equity investments and advisory work for privately held companies involved in a variety of emerging technologies, and managing partner from March 2003 until December 2006. In 1999, he founded T2 Capital Management, LLC, an investment management company and was the managing member until December 2004. Prior to establishing his money management ventures, he spent 20 years advising and managing assets for high net worth and institutional clients, at Salomon Brothers, Goldman Sachs and most recently as Managing Director of Banc of America Securities. He earned his B.A. from Tufts University and his J.D. from Temple University School of Law.

***Laura A. Philips, Ph.D., MBA*** was appointed a director in May 2007. Dr. Philips has been an independent consultant since 2006. From 2003 to 2006, she was Chief Operating Officer and Acting Chief Financial Officer of NexGenix Pharmaceuticals. Prior to that, she was Vice President, Program Management for the AMDeC Foundation. Dr. Philips worked at Corning Incorporated from 1997 to 2002, where she held several positions including Program Director of the Fuel Cells Division. From 1994 to 1996 Dr. Philips held various government positions in Washington, D.C., most recently in a Presidential appointment as Senior Policy Advisor to Secretary of Commerce Ronald Brown. Dr. Philips was on the faculty of Cornell University in the Department of Chemistry from 1987 to 1994 and was an NIH Post-Doctoral

Fellow at the University of Chicago. She received a B.A. in Chemistry from Williams College, a Ph.D. in Physical Chemistry from the University of California Berkeley and an MBA with Distinction from Cornell University's Johnson School of Management.

**Roger G. Stoll, Ph.D.** was appointed a director in December 2008. From 2002 to 2008 he served as Chief Executive Officer and President of Cortex Pharmaceuticals, Inc., where he was appointed Executive Chairman in August 2008. From 2001 to 2002, he was a consultant to several east coast venture capital firms and startup ventures. From 1998 to 2001, he was Executive Vice President of Fresenius Medical Care-North America, in charge of the dialysis products division and the diagnostic systems business units, which included hemodialysis machines and dialysis filters equipment. From 1991 to 1998 he was Chief Executive of Ohmeda. From 1986 to 1991, Dr. Stoll held several executive management positions at Bayer, AG, including Executive Vice-President and General Manager for the worldwide Diagnostic Business Group. Prior to that, Dr. Stoll worked for American Hospital Supply Corp, where he rose from Director of Clinical Pharmacology to President of its American Critical Care Division. He began his pharmaceutical career at the Upjohn Company in 1972. Dr. Stoll obtained his BS in Pharmacy from Ferris State University, obtained a Ph.D. in Biopharmaceutics and Drug Metabolism at the University of Connecticut, and was a post-doctoral fellow for two years at the University of Michigan. Dr. Stoll also serves on the board of directors of Chelsea Therapeutics and School of Pharmacy Advisory Board of the University of Connecticut.

**Pamela R. Contag, Ph.D.** was appointed a director in December 2008. Dr. Contag founded in 2006, and currently is Chief Technology Officer of, Cobalt Technologies, Inc., which engages in the development of biofuel production technologies. Prior to starting Cobalt, she founded Xenogen Corporation, which specializes in technology and services for preclinical drug development and testing, where she served as President and Director from 1995 to 2006. Xenogen, which went public in 2004, was acquired in 2006 by Caliper Life Sciences.

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Dr. Contag received her Ph.D. in Microbiology from the University of Minnesota Medical School and completed her postdoctoral training at Stanford University School of Medicine. Dr. Contag is a consulting Professor at the Stanford School of Medicine and is widely published in the field of non-invasive molecular and cellular imaging.

**Recent Management Additions**

Agustin Gago joined us in early November 2009 as Executive Vice President, Global Sales and Marketing and John Purpura will join us in mid-November 2009 as Executive Vice President, Regulatory Affairs and Quality Assurance. Prior to joining Delcath, Mr. Gago was Vice President, International Oncology Surgery Sales at Angiodynamics, Inc. since 2008. Mr. Purpura was most recently the Head of Regulatory Affairs, North and Latin America at E-Z-EM, which was acquired in 2008 from Bracco Diagnostics, since 2007.

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We and the underwriters for the offering named below have entered into an underwriting agreement with respect to the common stock being offered. Subject to the terms and conditions of the underwriting agreement, each underwriter has severally agreed to purchase from us the number of shares of our common stock set forth opposite its name below. Cowen and Company, LLC is the representative of the underwriters.

<b>Underwriter</b>	<b>Number of Shares</b>
Cowen and Company, LLC	4,250,000
Canaccord Adams Inc.	1,912,500
Wedbush Morgan Securities, Inc.	1,487,500
Craig-Hallum Capital Group LLC	850,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,500,000</b>

The underwriting agreement provides that the obligations of the underwriters are conditional and may be terminated at their discretion based on their assessment of the state of the financial markets. The obligations of the underwriters may also be terminated upon the occurrence of the events specified in the underwriting agreement. The underwriters have agreed, severally and not jointly, to purchase all of the shares sold under the underwriting agreement if any of these shares are purchased, other than those shares covered by the overallotment option described below. If an underwriter defaults, the underwriting agreement provides that the purchase commitments of the non-defaulting underwriters may be increased or the underwriting agreement may be terminated.

We have agreed to indemnify the underwriters against specified liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and to contribute to payments the underwriters may be required to make in respect thereof.

The underwriters are offering the shares, subject to prior sale, when, as and if issued to and accepted by them, subject to approval of legal matters by their counsel and other conditions specified in the underwriting agreement. The underwriters reserve the right to withdraw, cancel or modify offers to the public and to

reject orders in whole or in part.

*Overallotment Option to Purchase Additional Shares.* We have granted to the underwriters an option to purchase up to 1,275,000 additional shares of common stock at the public offering price, less the underwriting discount. This option is exercisable for a period of 30 days. The underwriters may exercise this option solely for the purpose of covering overallotments, if any, made in connection with the sale of common stock offered hereby. To the extent that the underwriters exercise this option, the underwriters will purchase additional shares from us in approximately the same proportion as shown in the table above.

*Discounts and Commissions.* The following table shows the public offering price, underwriting discount and proceeds, before expenses to us. These amounts are shown assuming both no exercise and full exercise of the underwriters' option to purchase additional shares.

	<b>Per Share</b>	<b>Total Without Over-Allotment</b>	<b>Total With Over-Allotment</b>
Public offering price	\$ 3.600	\$ 30,600,000	\$ 35,190,000
Underwriting discount	\$ 0.225	\$ 1,912,500	\$ 2,199,375
Proceeds, before expenses, to Delcath Systems, Inc.	\$ 3.375	\$ 28,687,500	\$ 32,990,625

We estimate that the total expenses of the offering, excluding the underwriting discount, will be approximately \$600,000 and are payable by us.

The underwriters propose to offer the shares of common stock to the public at the public offering price set forth on the cover of this prospectus supplement. The underwriters may offer the shares of common stock to

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securities dealers at the public offering price less a concession not in excess of \$0.110 per share. If all of the shares are not sold at the public offering price, the underwriters may change the offering price and other selling terms.

*Discretionary Accounts.* The underwriters do not intend to confirm sales of the shares to any accounts over which they have discretionary authority.

*Stabilization.* In connection with this offering, the underwriters may engage in stabilizing transactions, overallotment transactions, syndicate covering transactions, penalty bids and purchases to cover positions created by short sales.

Stabilizing transactions permit bids to purchase shares of common stock so long as the stabilizing bids do not exceed a specified maximum, and are engaged in for the purpose of preventing or retarding a decline in the market price of the common stock while the offering is in progress.

Overallotment transactions involve sales by the underwriters of shares of common stock in excess of the number of shares the underwriters are obligated to purchase. This creates a syndicate short position which may be either a covered short position or a naked short position. In a covered short position, the number of shares over-allotted by the underwriters is not greater than the number of shares that they may purchase in the overallotment option. In a naked short position, the number of shares involved is greater than the number of shares in the overallotment option. The underwriters may close out any short position by exercising their overallotment option and/or purchasing shares in the open market.

Syndicate covering transactions involve purchases of common stock in the open market after the distribution has been completed in order to cover syndicate short positions. In determining the source of shares to close out the short position, the underwriters will consider, among other

things, the price of shares available for purchase in the open market as compared with the price at which they may purchase shares through exercise of the overallotment option. If the underwriters sell more shares than could be covered by exercise of the overallotment option and, therefore, have a naked short position, the position can be closed out only by buying shares in the open market. A naked short position is more likely to be created if the underwriters are concerned that after pricing there could be downward pressure on the price of the shares in the open market that could adversely affect investors who purchase in the offering.

Penalty bids permit the representative to reclaim a selling concession from a syndicate member when the common stock originally sold by that syndicate member is purchased in stabilizing or syndicate covering transactions to cover syndicate short positions.

These stabilizing transactions, syndicate covering transactions and penalty bids may have the effect of raising or maintaining the market price of our common stock or preventing or retarding a decline in the market price of our common stock. As a result, the price of our common stock in the open market may be higher than it would otherwise be in the absence of these transactions. Neither we nor the underwriters make any representation or prediction as to the effect that the transactions described above may have on the price of our common stock. These transactions may be effected on the NASDAQ Capital Market, in the over-the-counter market or otherwise and, if commenced, may be discontinued at any time.

*Passive Market Making.* In connection with this offering, underwriters and selling group members may engage in passive market making transactions in our common stock on the NASDAQ Capital Market in accordance with Rule 103 of Regulation M under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, during a period before the commencement of offers or sales of common stock and extending through the completion of the distribution. A passive market maker must display its bid at a price not in excess of the highest independent bid of that security. However, if all independent bids are lowered below the passive market maker's bid, that bid must then be lowered when specified purchase limits are exceeded.

*Lock-Up Agreements.* Pursuant to certain lock-up agreements, we and our executive officers and directors have agreed, subject to

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certain exceptions, not to offer, sell, assign,  
transfer, pledge, contract to sell, or otherwise  
dispose of or announce the intention to  
otherwise dispose of, or enter into any swap,  
hedge or similar

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agreement or arrangement that transfers, in whole or in part, the economic consequence of ownership of, directly or indirectly, or make any demand or request or exercise any right with respect to the registration of, or file with the SEC a registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, relating to, any common stock or securities convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for any common stock without the prior written consent of Cowen and Company, LLC, for a period of 90 days after the date of the pricing of the offering. The 90-day restricted period will be automatically extended if (i) during the last 17 days of the 90-day restricted period we issue an earnings release or material news or a material event relating to us occurs or (ii) prior to the expiration of the 90-day restricted period, we announce that we will release earnings results or become aware that material news or a material event will occur during the 16-day period beginning on the last day of the 90-day restricted period, in either of which case the restrictions described above will continue to apply until the expiration of the 18-day period beginning on the issuance of the earnings release or the occurrence of the material news or material event.

This lock-up provision applies to common stock and to securities convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for common stock. It also applies to common stock owned now or acquired later by the person executing the agreement or for which the person executing the agreement later acquires the power of disposition. The exceptions permit us, among other things and subject to restrictions, to: (a) issue common stock or options pursuant to employee benefit plans, (b) issue common stock upon exercise of outstanding options or warrants, (c) issue securities in connection with acquisitions or similar transactions, (d) file registration statements on Form S-8, or (e) file resale registration statements on Form S-3. The exceptions permit parties to the lock-up agreements, among other things and subject to restrictions, to: (a) make certain gifts, (b) if the party is a corporation, partnership, limited liability company or other business entity, make transfers to any shareholders, partners, members of, or owners of similar equity interests in, the party, or to an affiliate of the party, if such transfer is not for value, and (c) if the party is a corporation, partnership, limited liability company or other business entity, make transfers in connection with the sale or transfer of all of the party's capital stock, partnership

interests, membership interests or other similar equity interests, as the case may be, or all or substantially all of the party's assets, in any such case not undertaken for the purpose of avoiding the restrictions imposed by the lock-up agreement. In addition, the lock-up provision will not restrict broker-dealers from engaging in market making and similar activities conducted in the ordinary course of their business.

*Electronic Offer, Sale and Distribution of Shares.* A prospectus supplement in electronic format may be made available on the websites maintained by one or more of the underwriters or selling group members, if any, participating in this offering and one or more of the underwriters participating in this offering may distribute prospectus supplements electronically. The representative may agree to allocate a number of shares to underwriters and selling group members for sale to their online brokerage account holders. Internet distributions will be allocated by the underwriters and selling group members that will make internet distributions on the same basis as other allocations. Other than the prospectus supplement in electronic format, the information on these websites is not part of this prospectus supplement or the registration statement of which this prospectus supplement forms a part, has not been approved or endorsed by us or any underwriter in its capacity as underwriter, and should not be relied upon by investors.

*Other Relationships.* Certain of the underwriters and their affiliates have provided, and may in the future provide, various investment banking, commercial banking and other financial services for us and our affiliates for which they received, and may in the future receive, customary fees.

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**LEGAL MATTERS**

The validity of our common stock offered in this offering and certain other legal matters will be passed upon for us by Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, New York, New York. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the underwriters by Goodwin Procter LLP, Boston, Massachusetts.

**EXPERTS**

The consolidated financial statements of Delcath Systems, Inc. appearing in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008 (including schedule appearing therein) and the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2008 have been audited by CCR LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, as set forth in their reports thereon, included therein, and incorporated herein by reference. Such consolidated financial statements are incorporated herein by reference in reliance upon such reports given on the authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

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**PROSPECTUS**

**\$60,000,000**

**Common Stock**

**Preferred Stock**

**Warrants**

**Debt Securities**

**Stock Purchase Contracts**

Delcath Systems, Inc. (the Company) may offer to sell from time to time debt securities, common stock, preferred stock, stock purchase contracts and warrants. The preferred stock of the Company may be convertible into common stock or preferred stock of another series.

The Company may offer securities at an aggregate offering price of up to \$60,000,000. The debt securities, common stock, preferred stock, stock purchase contracts and warrants of the Company and the debt securities of the Company may be offered separately or together, in multiple series, in amounts, at prices and on terms that will be set forth in one or more prospectus supplements to this prospectus. Because the maximum aggregate offering price of all securities is \$60,000,000, the Company's issuance of any securities will reduce the amount of other securities that it can issue.

This prospectus describes some of the general terms that may apply to these securities and the general manner in which they may be offered. Each time the Company sells securities, a prospectus supplement will be provided that will contain specific information about the terms of any securities offered and the specific manner in which the securities will be offered. The prospectus supplement will also contain information, where appropriate, about material United States federal income tax consequences relating to, and any listing on a securities exchange of, the securities covered by the prospectus supplement. The prospectus supplement may add to, update or change the

information in this prospectus. You should read this prospectus and any prospectus supplement carefully before you invest in our securities. This prospectus may not be used to sell securities unless accompanied by a prospectus supplement.

The Company may offer the securities directly to investors, through agents designated from time to time by the Company, or to or through underwriters or dealers. If any agents, underwriters, or dealers are involved in the sale of any of the securities, their names, and any applicable purchase price, fee, commission or discount arrangement with, between or among them will be set forth, or will be calculable from the information set forth, in an accompanying prospectus supplement. For more detailed information, see Plan of Distribution on page 22.

Our common stock is traded on the NASDAQ Global Market under the symbol DCTH. On June 10, 2009, the last reported sale price of our common stock on the NASDAQ Global Market was \$3.65.

***Investing in our common stock involves a high degree of risk. You should review carefully the risks and uncertainties referenced under the heading Risk Factors beginning on page 2 of this prospectus.***

**Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.**

The date of this prospectus is June 23, 2009.

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**ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS**

You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus and the accompanying prospectus supplement or incorporated by reference in these documents. No dealer, salesperson or other person is authorized to give any information or to represent anything not contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus or the accompanying prospectus supplement. If anyone provides you with different, inconsistent or unauthorized information or representations, you must not rely on them. This prospectus and the accompanying prospectus supplement are an offer to sell only the securities offered by these documents, but only under circumstances and in jurisdictions where it is lawful to do so. The information contained in this prospectus or any prospectus supplement is current only as of the date on the front of those documents.

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**PROSPECTUS SUMMARY**

*This summary highlights information contained elsewhere or incorporated by reference into this prospectus. Because it is a summary, it does not contain all of the information that you should consider before investing in our securities. You should read this entire prospectus carefully, including the section entitled Risk Factors and the documents that we incorporate by reference into this prospectus, before making an investment decision.*

**DELCATH SYSTEMS, INC.**

We are a development stage company that has developed an innovative device designed to administer high dose chemotherapy and other therapeutic agents to diseased organs or regions of the body. We were incorporated in the State of Delaware in 1988 and since inception have focused our efforts on the development of a single product, The Delcath PHP System, which isolates the circulatory system of a specific organ or body region in order to deliver high dose chemotherapy or other therapeutic agents directly to that diseased organ or body region. The first application being tested with our system is for the treatment of cancers of the liver. The Delcath PHP System isolates the liver from the patient's general circulatory system and delivers high doses of the chemotherapeutic drug, melphalan hydrochloride, directly to tumors in the liver while avoiding most of the toxicities that normally result from such high doses of the drug. In 2006, we began a Phase III clinical trial to support the United States Food and Drug Administration (the FDA) approval process for the Delcath PHP System. The Delcath PHP System is not currently approved by the FDA, and it cannot be marketed in the United States without FDA pre-market approval.

We also are conducting Phase II clinical trials, testing the Delcath PHP System with the drug melphalan against hepatocellular tumors (primary liver cancer) and neuroendocrine and adenocarcinoma tumors that have spread to the liver, as well as melanomas metastatic to the liver that have received certain prior regional treatment.

Our principal executive office is located at 600 Fifth Avenue, 23<sup>rd</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10020. Our telephone number is (212) 489-2100. Our website address is

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www.delcath.com. Information contained in, or accessible through, our website does not constitute a part of this prospectus.

Unless the context indicates otherwise, as used in this prospectus, the terms Delcath Systems, we, us and our refer to Delcath Systems, Inc., a Delaware corporation. We use The Delcath PHP System and the Delcath Systems logo as trademarks in the United States and other countries. All other trademarks or trade names, if any, referred to in this prospectus are the property of their respective owners.

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**RISK FACTORS**

Investing in our securities involves a high degree of risk. You should consider carefully the risk factors set forth in the documents and reports filed by us with the Securities and Exchange Commission, which we refer to as the SEC, that are incorporated by reference into this prospectus, as well as any risks described in any applicable prospectus supplement, before deciding whether to buy our securities. Additional risks not known to us or that we believe are immaterial may also significantly impair our business operations and could result in a complete loss of your investment.

**DISCLOSURE REGARDING  
FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS**

This prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference into this prospectus contain certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 with respect to our financial condition, results of operations and business. Words such as anticipates, expects, intends, plans, predicts, believes, seeks, estimates, could, would, will, may, can, continue, potential, should, and the negative of these terms or other comparable terminology often identify forward-looking statements. Statements in this prospectus and the other documents incorporated by reference that are not historical facts are hereby identified as forward-looking statements for the purpose of the safe harbor provided by Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and Section 27A of the Securities Act. These forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from the results contemplated by the forward-looking statements, including the risks discussed in this prospectus, in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008 in Item 1A under Risk Factors as well as in Item 7A Qualitative and Quantitative Disclosures About Market Risk, our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2009 in Part II, Item 1A under Risk Factors as well as in Part I, Item 3 Qualitative and Quantitative Disclosures About Market Risk and the risks detailed from time to time in our future SEC reports. These forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements about:

the progress and results of our research and development programs;

our estimates regarding sufficiency of our cash resources, anticipated capital requirements and our need for additional financing;

the results and timing of our clinical trials and the commencement of future clinical trials; and

submission and timing of applications for regulatory approval.

Many of the important factors that will determine these results are beyond our ability to control or predict. You are cautioned not to put undue reliance on any forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this prospectus or, in the case of documents incorporated by reference, as of the date of such documents. Except as otherwise required by law, we do not assume any obligation to publicly update or release any revisions to these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this prospectus or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

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**WHERE YOU CAN FIND ADDITIONAL  
INFORMATION**

**This prospectus is part of a registration statement we filed with the SEC. You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus or incorporated by reference. We have not authorized anyone else to provide you with different information. We are not making an offer of these securities in any state where the offer is not permitted. You should not assume that the information in this prospectus is accurate as of any date other than the date on the front page of this prospectus, regardless of the time of delivery of this prospectus or any sale of securities.**

We file reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. You may read and copy any reports, proxy statements or other information filed by us at the SEC's Public Reference Room at 100 F Street NE, Washington, D.C. 20549. You may obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling the SEC at (800) SEC-0330. The SEC maintains a website that contains reports, proxy statements and other information regarding issuers that file electronically with the SEC, including Delcath Systems, Inc. The address of the SEC website is <http://www.sec.gov>.

**Important Information Incorporated By  
Reference**

The SEC allows us to incorporate by reference information into this prospectus, which means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to another document filed separately with the SEC. The SEC file number for the documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus is 001-16133. The documents incorporated by reference into this prospectus contain important information that you should read about us.

The following documents are incorporated by reference into this document:

Our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008 and filed with the SEC on March 3, 2009;

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The information specifically incorporated by reference into our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008 from our definitive proxy statement on Schedule 14A filed with the SEC on April 30, 2009;

Our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2009 and filed with the SEC on April 24, 2009;

Our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on April 10, 2009; and

The description of our common stock, which is registered under Section 12 of the Exchange Act, in our registration statement on Form 8-A12B, filed with the SEC on September 22, 2000, including any amendments or reports filed for the purpose of updating such description.

We also incorporate by reference into this prospectus all documents (other than current reports furnished under Item 2.02 or Item 7.01 of Form 8-K and exhibits filed on such form that are related to such items) that are filed by us with the SEC pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act (i) after the date of the initial registration statement and prior to effectiveness of the registration statement, or (ii) from the date of this prospectus but prior to the termination of the offering. These documents include periodic reports, such as Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and Current Reports on Form 8-K, as well as proxy statements.

Any documents filed by us with the SEC pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) after the date of this prospectus and on or before the completion of the resale of the shares by the selling stockholders shall also be deemed incorporated herein by reference. These documents include our periodic reports, such as Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and Current Reports on Form 8-K.

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**USE OF PROCEEDS**

Unless we provide otherwise in a supplement to this prospectus, we intend to use the net proceeds from the sale of our securities covered by this prospectus for general corporate purposes. These purposes may include funding our clinical trials, capital expenditures, working capital, repayment of debt and investments.

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**DESCRIPTION OF DEBT SECURITIES**

The following description, together with the additional information we may include in any applicable prospectus supplements and in any related free writing prospectuses, summarizes the material terms and provisions of the debt securities that we may offer under this prospectus. While the terms summarized below will apply generally to any debt securities that we may offer, we will describe the particular terms of any debt securities in more detail in the applicable prospectus supplement. The terms of any debt securities offered under a prospectus supplement may differ from the terms described below.

We may issue debt securities from time to time in one or more distinct series. The debt securities may be senior debt securities or subordinated debt securities. Senior debt securities may be issued under a senior indenture and subordinated debt securities may be issued under a subordinated indenture. If we issue debt securities pursuant to an indenture, in the applicable prospectus supplement we will specify the trustee under such indenture. We will include in a supplement to this prospectus the specific terms of debt securities being offered, including the terms, if any, on which debt securities may be convertible into or exchangeable for common stock, preferred stock or other debt securities. The statements and descriptions in this prospectus or in any prospectus supplement regarding provisions of debt securities and any indentures are summaries of these provisions, do not purport to be complete and are subject to, and are qualified in their entirety by reference to, all of the provisions of the debt securities and the indentures (including any amendments or supplements we may enter into from time to time which are permitted under the debt securities or any indenture).

Unless otherwise specified in a prospectus supplement, the debt securities will be direct unsecured obligations of the Company. Any debt securities designated as senior will rank equally with any of our other senior and unsubordinated debt. Any debt securities designated as subordinated will be subordinate and junior in right of payment to any senior indebtedness. There may be subordinated debt securities that are senior or junior to other series of subordinated debt securities.

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The applicable prospectus supplement will set forth the terms of the debt securities or any series thereof, including, if applicable:

the title of the debt securities and whether the debt securities will be senior debt securities or subordinated debt securities;

any limit upon the aggregate principal amount of the debt securities;

whether the debt securities will be issued as registered securities, bearer securities or both, and any restrictions on the exchange of one form of debt securities for another and on the offer, sale and delivery of the debt securities in either form;

the date or dates on which the principal amount of the debt securities will mature;

if the debt securities bear interest, the rate or rates at which the debt securities bear interest and the date or dates from which interest will accrue;

if the debt securities bear interest, the dates on which interest will be payable and the regular record dates for interest payments;

the place or places where the payment of principal, any premium and interest will be made, if other than or in addition to the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, where the debt securities may be surrendered for transfer or exchange and where notices or demands to or upon us may be served;

any optional redemption provisions, which would allow us to redeem the debt securities in whole or in part;

any sinking fund or other provisions that would obligate us to redeem, repay or purchase the debt securities;



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if the currency in which the debt securities will be issuable is United States dollars, the denominations in which any registered securities will be issuable, if other than denominations of \$1,000 and any integral multiple thereof, and the denominations in which any bearer securities will be issuable, if other than the denomination of \$5,000;

if other than the entire principal amount, the portion of the principal amount of debt securities which will be payable upon a declaration of acceleration of the maturity of the debt securities;

the events of default and covenants relevant to the debt securities, including, the inapplicability of any event of default or covenant set forth in the indenture relating to the debt securities, or the applicability of any other events of defaults or covenants in addition to the events of default or covenants set forth in the indenture relating to the debt securities;

the name and location of the corporate trust office of the applicable trustee under the indenture for such series of notes;

if other than United States dollars, the currency in which the debt securities will be paid or denominated;

if the debt securities are to be payable, at our election or the election of a holder of the debt securities, in a currency other than that in which the debt securities are denominated or stated to be payable, the terms and conditions upon which that election may be made, and the time and manner of determining the exchange rate between the currency in which the debt securities are denominated or stated to be payable and the currency in which the debt securities are to be so payable;

the designation of the original currency determination agent, if any;

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if the debt securities are issuable as indexed securities, the manner in which the amount of payments of principal, any premium and interest will be determined;

if the debt securities do not bear interest, the dates on which we will furnish to the applicable trustee the names and addresses of the holders of the debt securities;

if other than as set forth in an indenture, provisions for the satisfaction and discharge or defeasance or covenant defeasance of that indenture with respect to the debt securities issued under that indenture;

the date as of which any bearer securities and any global security will be dated if other than the date of original issuance of the first debt security of a particular series to be issued;

whether and under what circumstances we will pay additional amounts to non-United States holders in respect of any tax assessment or government charge;

whether the debt securities will be issued in whole or in part in the form of a global security or securities and, in that case, any depositary and global exchange agent for the global security or securities, whether the global form shall be permanent or temporary and, if applicable, the exchange date;

if debt securities are to be issuable initially in the form of a temporary global security, the circumstances under which the temporary global security can be exchanged for definitive debt securities and whether the definitive debt securities will be registered securities, bearer securities or will be in global form and provisions relating to the payment of interest in respect of any portion of a global security payable in respect of an interest payment date prior to the exchange date;

the extent and manner to which payment on or in respect of debt securities will be subordinated to the prior payment of our

other liabilities and obligations;

whether payment of any amount due under the debt securities will be guaranteed by one or more guarantors, including one or more of our subsidiaries;

whether the debt securities will be convertible and the terms of any conversion provisions;

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the forms of the debt securities; and

any other terms of the debt securities, which terms shall not be inconsistent with the requirements of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended.

This prospectus is part of a registration statement that does not limit the aggregate principal amount of debt securities that we may issue and provides that we may issue debt securities from time to time in one or more series under one or more indentures, in each case with the same or various maturities, at par or at a discount. Unless indicated in a prospectus supplement, we may issue additional debt securities of a particular series without the consent of the holders of the debt securities of such series outstanding at the time of the issuance. Any such additional debt securities, together with all other outstanding debt securities of that series, will constitute a single series of debt securities under the applicable indenture.

We intend to disclose any restrictive covenants for any issuance or series of debt securities in the applicable prospectus supplement.

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**DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STOCK**

The following description of our common stock and preferred stock, together with the additional information we include in any applicable prospectus supplements and in any related free writing prospectuses, summarizes the material terms and provisions of the common stock and preferred stock that we may offer under this prospectus. The following description of our capital stock does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by, our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and our Amended and Restated By-Laws, which are exhibits to the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part, and by applicable law. We refer in this section to our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation as our certificate of incorporation, and we refer to our Amended and Restated By-Laws as our by-laws. The terms of our common stock and preferred stock may also be affected by Delaware law.

**Authorized Capital Stock**

Our authorized capital stock consists of 70,000,000 shares of our common stock, \$0.01 par value per share, and 10,000,000 shares of undesignated preferred stock, \$0.01 par value per share. As of June 10, 2009, we had 25,383,354 shares of common stock outstanding and no shares of preferred stock outstanding.

**Common Stock**

***Voting***

Holders of our common stock are entitled to one vote per share on matters to be voted on by stockholders and also are entitled to receive such dividends, if any, as may be declared from time to time by our board of directors in its discretion out of funds legally available therefor. Holders of our common stock have exclusive voting rights for the election of our directors and all other matters requiring stockholder action, except with respect to amendments to our certificate of incorporation that alter or change the powers, preferences, rights or other terms of any outstanding preferred stock if the holders of such affected series of preferred stock are entitled to vote on such an amendment or filling vacancies on the board of directors.

***Dividends***

Holders of common stock are entitled to share ratably in any dividends declared by our board of directors, subject to any preferential dividend rights of any outstanding preferred stock. Dividends consisting of shares of common stock may be paid to holders of shares of common stock. We do not intend to pay cash dividends in the foreseeable future.

***Liquidation and Dissolution***

Upon our liquidation or dissolution, the holders of our common stock will be entitled to receive pro rata all assets remaining available for distribution to stockholders after payment of all liabilities and provision for the liquidation of any shares of preferred stock at the time outstanding.

***Other Rights and Restrictions***

Our common stock has no preemptive or other subscription rights, and there are no conversion rights or redemption or sinking fund provisions with respect to such stock. Our common stock is not subject to redemption by us. Our certificate of incorporation and bylaws do not restrict the ability of a holder of common stock to transfer the stockholder's shares of common stock. When we issue shares of common stock under this prospectus, the shares will be fully paid and non-assessable and will not have, or be subject to, any preemptive or similar rights.

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***Listing***

Our common stock is listed on The NASDAQ Global Market under the symbol DCTH. On June 10, 2009, the last reported sale price for our common stock on The NASDAQ Global Market was \$3.65 per share.

***Transfer Agent and Registrar***

The transfer agent and registrar for our common stock is American Stock Transfer & Trust Company.

**Preferred Stock**

Our board of directors has the authority to issue up to 10,000,000 shares of preferred stock in one or more series and to determine the rights and preferences of the shares of any such series without stockholder approval, none of which are outstanding. Our board of directors may issue preferred stock in one or more series and has the authority to fix the rights, preferences, privileges and restrictions of this preferred stock, including dividend rights, conversion rights, voting rights, terms of redemption, liquidation preferences, sinking fund terms and the number of shares constituting any series or the designation of a series, without further vote or action by the stockholders.<sup>1</sup> The ability of our board of directors to issue preferred stock without stockholder approval could have the effect of delaying, deferring or preventing a change of control of us or the removal of existing management.

If we decide to issue any preferred stock pursuant to this prospectus, we will describe in a prospectus supplement the terms of the preferred stock, including, if applicable, the following:

the title of the series and stated value;

the number of shares of the series of preferred stock offered, the liquidation preference per share, if applicable, and the offering price;

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the applicable dividend rate(s) or amount(s), period(s) and payment date(s) or method(s) of calculation thereof;

the date from which dividends on the preferred stock will accumulate, if applicable;

any procedures for auction and remarketing;

any provisions for a sinking fund;

any applicable provision for redemption and the price or prices, terms and conditions on which preferred stock may be redeemed;

any securities exchange listing;

any voting rights and powers;

whether interests in the preferred stock will be represented by depository shares;

the terms and conditions, if applicable, of conversion into shares of our common stock, including the conversion price or rate or manner of calculation thereof;

a discussion of any material U.S. federal income tax considerations;

the relative ranking and preference as to dividend rights and rights upon our liquidation, dissolution or the winding up of our affairs;

any limitations on issuance of any series of preferred stock ranking senior to or on a parity with such series of preferred stock as to dividend rights and rights upon our liquidation, dissolution or the winding up of our affairs; and

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any other specific terms, preferences, rights,  
limitations or restrictions of such series of  
preferred stock.

<sup>1</sup>To consider conforming to charter.

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**Certain Anti-Takeover Provisions of Delaware Law and our Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws**

We are not subject to Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, which prohibits Delaware corporations from engaging in a wide range of specified transactions with any interested stockholder, defined to include, among others, any person other than such corporation and any of its majority owned subsidiaries who own 15% or more of any class or series of stock entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, unless, among other exceptions, the transaction is approved by (i) our board of directors prior to the date the interested stockholder obtained such status or (ii) the holders of two thirds of the outstanding shares of each class or series of stock entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, not including those shares owned by the interested stockholder.

***Staggered Board of Directors***

Our certificate of incorporation and by-laws provide that our board of directors be classified into three classes of directors of approximately equal size. As a result, in most circumstances, a person can gain control of our board only by successfully engaging in a proxy contest at two or more annual meetings.

***Stockholder Rights Plan;***

On October 30, 2001, the Company entered into a Rights Agreement with American Stock Transfer & Trust Company (the Rights Agreement ) in connection with the implementation of the Company's stockholder rights plan (the Rights Plan ). The purposes of the Rights Plan are to deter, and protect the Company's shareholders from, certain coercive and otherwise unfair takeover tactics and to enable the board of directors to represent effectively the interests of shareholders in the event of a takeover attempt. The Rights Plan does not deter negotiated mergers or business combinations that the board of directors determines to be in the best interests of the Company and its shareholders. To implement the Rights Plan, the board of directors declared a dividend of one Common Stock purchase right (a Right ) for each share of Common Stock of the Company, par value \$0.01 per share (the Common Stock ) outstanding at the close of business on November 14, 2001 (the Record

Date ) or issued by the Company on or after such date and prior to the earlier of the Distribution Date, the Redemption Date or the Final Expiration Date (as such terms are defined in the Rights Agreement). The rights expire October 30, 2011. Each Right entitles the registered holder, under specified circumstances, to purchase from the Company for \$5.00, subject to adjustment (the Purchase Price ), a number of shares determined by dividing the then applicable Purchase Price by 50% of the then current market price per share in the event that a person or group announces that it has acquired, or intends to acquire, 15% or more of the Company's outstanding Common Stock. On April 9, 2007 the Board of Directors voted to increase the threshold level to 20%.

***Authorized But Unissued Shares***

Our authorized but unissued shares of common stock and preferred stock are available for future issuances without stockholder approval and could be utilized for a variety of corporate purposes, including future offerings to raise additional capital, corporate acquisitions, employee benefit plans and stockholder rights plans. The existence of authorized but unissued and unreserved common stock and preferred stock could render more difficult or discourage an attempt to obtain control of us by means of a proxy contest, tender offer, merger or otherwise.

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**DESCRIPTION OF STOCK PURCHASE  
CONTRACTS**

The following description, together with the additional information that we include in any applicable prospectus supplements and in any related free writing prospectuses, summarizes the material terms and provisions of the stock purchase contracts that we may offer under this prospectus. While the terms we have summarized below will apply generally to any stock purchase contracts that we may offer under this prospectus, we will describe the particular terms of any series of stock purchase contracts in more detail in the applicable prospectus supplement. The terms of any stock purchase contracts offered under a prospectus supplement may differ from the terms described below.

We may issue stock purchase contracts, including contracts obligating holders to purchase from us and us to sell to the holders, a specified number of shares of common stock or preferred stock at a future date or dates. Alternatively, the stock purchase contracts may obligate us to purchase from holders, and obligate holders to sell to us, a specified or varying number of shares of common stock or preferred stock. The consideration per share of common stock or preferred stock may be fixed at the time the stock purchase contracts are issued or may be determined by a specific reference to a formula set forth in the stock purchase contracts. The stock purchase contracts may provide for settlement by delivery by us or on our behalf of shares of the underlying security, or they may provide for settlement by reference or linkage to the value, performance or trading price of the underlying security. The stock purchase contracts may require us to make periodic payments to the holders of the certain of our securities or vice versa, and such payments may be unsecured or prefunded on some basis and may be paid on a current or on a deferred basis. The stock purchase contracts may require holders to secure their obligations thereunder in a specified manner and may provide for the prepayment of all or part of the consideration payable by holders in connection with the purchase of the underlying security or other property pursuant to the stock purchase contracts.

The securities related to the stock purchase contracts may be pledged to a collateral agent for our benefit pursuant to a pledge agreement to secure the obligations of holders of stock

purchase contracts to purchase the underlying security or property under the related stock purchase contracts. The rights of holders of stock purchase contracts to the related pledged securities will be subject to our security interest therein created by the pledge agreement. No holder of stock purchase contracts will be permitted to withdraw the pledged securities related to such stock purchase contracts from the pledge arrangement.

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**DESCRIPTION OF WARRANTS**

The following description, together with the additional information we may include in any applicable prospectus supplements, summarizes the material terms and provisions of the warrants that we may offer under this prospectus and the related warrant agreements and warrant certificates. While the terms summarized below will apply generally to any warrants that we may offer, we will describe the particular terms of any series of warrants in more detail in the applicable prospectus supplement. The terms of any warrants offered under a prospectus supplement may differ from the terms described below.

We will file as exhibits to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part, or will incorporate by reference from reports that we file with the SEC, the form of warrant agreement, including a form of warrant certificate, that describes the terms of the particular warrants we are offering before the issuance of the related warrants. The following summaries of material provisions of the warrants and the warrant agreements are subject to, and qualified in their entirety by reference to, all the provisions of the warrant agreement and warrant certificate applicable to the warrants that we may offer under this prospectus. We urge you to read the applicable prospectus supplements related to the warrants that we may offer under this prospectus, as well as any related free writing prospectuses, and the complete warrant agreements and warrant certificates that contain the terms of the warrants.

**General**

We may issue warrants for the purchase of common stock or preferred stock in one or more series. We may issue warrants independently or together with common stock and preferred stock, and the warrants may be attached to or separate from these securities.

We may evidence each series of warrants by warrant certificates that we will issue under a separate agreement. We may enter into a warrant agreement with a warrant agent. We will indicate the name and address and other information regarding the warrant agent in the applicable prospectus supplement relating to a particular warrants.

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If we decide to issue warrants pursuant to this prospectus, we will specify in a prospectus supplement the terms of the warrants, including, if applicable, the following:

the offering price and aggregate number of warrants offered;

the designation and terms of the securities with which the warrants are issued and the number of warrants issued with each such security or each principal amount of such security;

the date on and after which the warrants and the related securities will be separately transferable;

in the case of warrants to purchase stock, the number of shares of stock purchasable upon the exercise of one warrant and the price at which these shares may be purchased upon such exercise;

the effect of any merger, consolidation, sale or other disposition of our business on the warrant agreement and the warrants;

the terms of any rights to redeem or call the warrants;

any provisions for changes to or adjustments in the exercise price or number of securities issuable upon exercise of the warrants;

the dates on which the right to exercise the warrants will commence and expire;

the manner in which the warrant agreement and warrants may be modified;

a discussion of any material U.S. federal income tax considerations of holding or exercising the warrants;



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the terms of the securities issuable upon exercise of the warrants; and

any other specific terms, preferences, rights or limitations of or restrictions on the warrants.

Before exercising their warrants, holders of warrants may have no rights of holders of the securities purchasable upon such exercise, including, in the case of warrants to purchase common stock or preferred stock, the right to receive dividends, if any, or payments upon our liquidation, dissolution or winding up or to exercise voting rights, if any.

**Exercise of Warrants**

Each warrant will entitle the holder to purchase shares of our stock at the exercise price that we describe in the applicable prospectus supplement. Holders of the warrants may exercise the warrants at any time up to the specified time on the expiration date that we set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement. After the close of business on the expiration date, unexercised warrants will become void.

Holders of the warrants may exercise the warrants by delivering the warrant certificate representing the warrants to be exercised together with specified information, and paying the required amount to the warrant agent in immediately available funds, as provided in the applicable prospectus supplement. If we so indicate in the applicable prospectus supplement, the warrants may also provide that they may be exercised on a "cashless" or net basis. We will set forth on the reverse side of the warrant certificate, if applicable, and in the applicable prospectus supplement the information that the holder of the warrant will be required to deliver to us or a warrant agent.

Upon receipt of the required payment and the warrant certificate properly completed and duly executed at our offices, the corporate trust office of a warrant agent or any other office indicated in the applicable prospectus supplement, we will issue and deliver the common stock or preferred stock purchasable upon such exercise. If fewer than all of the warrants represented by the warrant certificate are exercised, then we will issue a new warrant certificate for the remaining amount of warrants. If we so indicate in the applicable prospectus supplement, holders of the warrants may surrender shares of common

stock or preferred stock as all or part of the exercise price for warrants.

**Enforceability of Rights by Holders of Warrants**

Any warrant agent will act solely as our agent under the applicable warrant agreement and will not assume any obligation or relationship of agency or trust with any holder of any warrant. A single bank or trust company may act as warrant agent for more than one issue of warrants. A warrant agent will have no duty or responsibility in case of any default by us under the applicable warrant agreement or warrant, including any duty or responsibility to initiate any proceedings at law or otherwise, or to make any demand upon us. Any holder of a warrant may, without the consent of the related warrant agent or the holder of any other warrant, enforce by appropriate legal action its right to exercise, and receive the securities purchasable upon exercise of, its warrants.

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**PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION**

We may sell the securities in any one or more of the following ways:

directly to investors, including through a specific bidding, auction or other process;

to investors through agents;

directly to agents;

to or through brokers or dealers;

to the public through underwriting syndicates led by one or more managing underwriters;

to one or more underwriters acting alone for resale to investors or to the public; and

through a combination of any such methods of sale.

The Company's common stock or preferred stock may be issued upon conversion of debt securities or preferred stock of the Company. Securities may also be issued upon exercise of warrants of the Company. The Company reserves the right to sell securities directly to investors on its own behalf in those jurisdictions where it is authorized to do so.

If we sell securities to a dealer acting as principal, the dealer may resell such securities at varying prices to be determined by such dealer in its discretion at the time of resale without consulting with us and such resale prices may not be disclosed in the applicable prospectus supplement.

Any underwritten offering may be on a best efforts or a firm commitment basis. We may also offer securities through subscription rights distributed to our stockholders on a pro rata basis, which may or may not be transferable. In any distribution of subscription rights to

stockholders, if all of the underlying securities are not subscribed for, we may then sell the unsubscribed securities directly to third parties or may engage the services of one or more underwriters, dealers or agents, including standby underwriters, to sell the unsubscribed securities to third parties.

Sales of the securities may be effected from time to time in one or more transactions, including negotiated transactions:

at a fixed price or prices, which may be changed;

at market prices prevailing at the time of sale;

at prices related to prevailing market prices;  
or

at negotiated prices.

Any of the prices may represent a discount from the then prevailing market prices.

In the sale of the securities, underwriters or agents may receive compensation from us in the form of underwriting discounts or commissions and may also receive compensation from purchasers of the securities, for whom they may act as agents, in the form of discounts, concessions or commissions. Underwriters may sell the securities to or through dealers, and such dealers may receive compensation in the form of discounts, concessions or commissions from the underwriters and/or commissions from the purchasers for whom they may act as agents. Discounts, concessions and commissions may be changed from time to time. Dealers and agents that participate in the distribution of the securities may be deemed to be underwriters under the Securities Act, and any discounts, concessions or commissions they receive from us and any profit on the resale of securities they realize may be deemed to be underwriting compensation under applicable federal and state securities laws.

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The applicable prospectus supplement will, where applicable:

identify any such underwriter, dealer or agent;

describe any compensation in the form of discounts, concessions, commissions or otherwise received from us by each such underwriter or agent and in the aggregate by all underwriters and agents;

describe any discounts, concessions or commissions allowed by underwriters to participating dealers;

identify the amounts underwritten; and

identify the nature of the underwriter's or underwriters' obligation to take the securities.

Unless otherwise specified in the related prospectus supplement, each series of securities will be a new issue with no established trading market, other than shares of common stock of the Company, which are listed on the NASDAQ Global Market. Any common stock sold pursuant to a prospectus supplement will be listed on the NASDAQ Global Market, subject to official notice of issuance. We may elect to list any warrants or series of debt securities or preferred stock on an exchange, but we are not obligated to do so. It is possible that one or more underwriters may make a market in the securities, but such underwriters will not be obligated to do so and may discontinue any market making at any time without notice. No assurance can be given as to the liquidity of, or the trading market for, any offered securities.

We may enter into derivative transactions with third parties, or sell securities not covered by this prospectus to third parties in privately negotiated transactions. If disclosed in the applicable prospectus supplement, in connection with those derivative transactions third parties may sell securities covered by this prospectus and such prospectus supplement, including in short sale transactions. If so, the third party may use securities pledged by us or borrowed from

us or from others to settle those short sales or to close out any related open borrowings of securities, and may use securities received from us in settlement of those derivative transactions to close out any related open borrowings of securities. If the third party is or may be deemed to be an underwriter under the Securities Act, it will be identified in the applicable prospectus supplements.

Until the distribution of the securities is completed, rules of the SEC may limit the ability of any underwriters and selling group members to bid for and purchase the securities. As an exception to these rules, underwriters are permitted to engage in some transactions that stabilize the price of the securities. Such transactions consist of bids or purchases for the purpose of pegging, fixing or maintaining the price of the securities.

Underwriters may engage in over-allotment. If any underwriters create a short position in the securities in an offering in which they sell more securities than are set forth on the cover page of the applicable prospectus supplement, the underwriters may reduce that short position by purchasing the securities in the open market.

The lead underwriters may also impose a penalty bid on other underwriters and selling group members participating in an offering. This means that if the lead underwriters purchase securities in the open market to reduce the underwriters' short position or to stabilize the price of the securities, they may reclaim the amount of any selling concession from the underwriters and selling group members who sold those securities as part of the offering.

In general, purchases of a security for the purpose of stabilization or to reduce a short position could cause the price of the security to be higher than it might be in the absence of such purchases. The imposition of a penalty bid might also have an effect on the price of a security to the extent that it were to discourage resales of the security before the distribution is completed.

We do not make any representation or prediction as to the direction or magnitude of any effect that the transactions described above might have on the price of the securities. In addition, we do not make any representation that underwriters will engage in such transactions or that such transactions, once commenced, will not be discontinued without notice.



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Under agreements into which we may enter, underwriters, dealers and agents who participate in the distribution of the securities may be entitled to indemnification by us against or contribution towards certain civil liabilities, including liabilities under the applicable securities laws.

Underwriters, dealers and agents may engage in transactions with us, perform services for us or be our tenants in the ordinary course of business.

If indicated in the applicable prospectus supplement, we will authorize underwriters or other persons acting as our agents to solicit offers by particular institutions to purchase securities from us at the public offering price set forth in such prospectus supplement pursuant to delayed delivery contracts providing for payment and delivery on the date or dates stated in such prospectus supplement. Each delayed delivery contract will be for an amount no less than, and the aggregate amounts of securities sold under delayed delivery contracts shall be not less nor more than, the respective amounts stated in the applicable prospectus supplement. Institutions with which such contracts, when authorized, may be made include commercial and savings banks, insurance companies, pension funds, investment companies, educational and charitable institutions and others, but will in all cases be subject to our approval. The obligations of any purchaser under any such contract will be subject to the conditions that (a) the purchase of the securities shall not at the time of delivery be prohibited under the laws of any jurisdiction in the United States to which the purchaser is subject, and (b) if the securities are being sold to underwriters, we shall have sold to the underwriters the total amount of the securities less the amount thereof covered by the contracts. The underwriters and such other agents will not have any responsibility in respect of the validity or performance of such contracts.

To comply with applicable state securities laws, the securities offered by this prospectus will be sold, if necessary, in such jurisdictions only through registered or licensed brokers or dealers. In addition, securities may not be sold in some states unless they have been registered or qualified for sale in the applicable state or an exemption from the registration or qualification requirement is available and is complied with.

Underwriters, dealers or agents that participate in the offer of securities, or their affiliates or associates, may have engaged or engage in transactions with and perform services for, the Company in the ordinary course of business for which they may have received or receive customary fees and reimbursement of expenses.

#### **LEGAL MATTERS**

The validity of the securities being offered hereby will be passed upon for us by Hughes Hubbard & Reed LLP, New York, New York.

#### **EXPERTS**

CCR LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, has audited our consolidated financial statements and schedule included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008, as set forth in their report, which is incorporated by reference in this prospectus and elsewhere in the registration statement. Our financial statements and schedule are incorporated by reference in reliance on CCR LLP's report, given on their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

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**8,500,000 Shares**

**Delcath Systems, Inc.**

**Common Stock**

**PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT**

**Cowen and Company**

**Canaccord Adams**

**Wedbush PacGrow Life  
Sciences**

**Craig-Hallum Capital  
Group**

**November 12, 2009**

