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## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* COHAN ROBERT A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

Symbol

ASPEN EXPLORATION CORP [ASPN]

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last)

(First) (Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

\_X\_\_ Director X\_ Officer (give title

X 10% Owner Other (specify

17406 LEGEND OAKS LANE

(Street)

(State)

09/30/2008

below) President

(Month/Day/Year)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

BAKERSFIELD, CA 93314

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

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported

(A) Transaction(s)

or

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Common

(City)

Stock -527,644 D \$.005 Par

Value

Common Stock -Ι By Trust 30,733

Value

\$.005 Par

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

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transac Code (Instr. 8		5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V	(A) (D	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount of Number of Shares
Option	\$ 0.57						08/15/2007	08/15/2008	Common Stock	50,000
Option	\$ 2.67						01/01/2006	01/01/2010	Common Stock	80,000
Option (1)	\$ 2.14	02/27/2008		A		300,000	09/30/2008	02/27/2013	Common Stock	300,000

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
COHAN ROBERT A 17406 LEGEND OAKS LANE	X	X	President				
BAKERSFIELD, CA 93314							

# **Signatures**

/s/ Robert A.
Cohan

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Options granted pursuant to the Aspen Exploration 2008 Equity Plan. These options vest on a pro-rata basis on September 30, 2008, September 30, 2009, and September 2010, but only upon the Company's achievement of specific performance goals defined in the recipient's stock option agreement. This transaction is exempt from Section 16(b) pursuant to Rule 16b-3(d) and is not yet subject to mandatory reporting inasmuch as the number of options that will actually vest is not yet determinable.

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