ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC /DE/

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Pietri Antonio J Issuer Symbol ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC /DE/ (Check all applicable) [AZPN] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Last) (First) (Middle) _X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O ASPEN TECHNOLOGY. 02/17/2017 President & CEO INC., 20 CROSBY DRIVE (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting BEDFORD, MA 01730 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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

Common S 02/17/2017 D 100 205,707 D Stock 56.83

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)

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| 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. 6. Date Exercisable a convergence of (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) | | ate | 7. Title a Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 a | of ng s | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
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| | | | | Code V | (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | or Title Nu of | umber | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| Fg | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | | |
| Pietri Antonio J | | | | | | | | |

C/O ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC. 20 CROSBY DRIVE BEDFORD, MA 01730

X President & CEO

Signatures

/s/ F.G. Hammond, attorney-in-fact for Mr.
Pietri 02/21/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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