

ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC /DE/
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 ADVENT PARTNERS DMC III
 LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O ADVENT INTERNATIONAL
 CORPORATION, 75 STATE
 STREET, 29TH FLOOR

(Street)

BOSTON, MA 02109

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC /DE/
 [AZPN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 03/22/2007

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 ___ Officer (give title below) ___X___ Other (specify below)
 Member of group > 10%

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 ___X___ Form filed by One Reporting Person
 ___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Common Stock	03/22/2007		S		297 D \$ 12.7856	D	
Common Stock	03/23/2007		S		456 D \$ 12.9958	D	
Common Stock	03/26/2007		S		519 D \$ 12.9622	D	

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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PARTNERSHIP
C/O ADVENT INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION
75 STATE STREET, 29TH FLOOR
BOSTON, MA 02109

Member of group > 10%

Signatures

/s/ Jarlyth H. Gibson, Assistant Compliance Officer

03/26/2007

**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).

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