

ASPEN TECHNOLOGY INC /DE/  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
DIGITAL MEDIA & COMMUNICATINS III A LTD

(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)  
12/20/2006

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)  Other (specify below)  
Member of Group > 10%

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/20/2006		C	V 865,000 A \$ 3.33	1,008,020	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)**

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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. Transaction Code	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. Amount or Number of Shares
Series D-1 Convertible Preferred Stock	\$ 3.33 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/20/2006		C	8,650	<sup>(2)</sup> <sup>(2)</sup>	common stock	865,000

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DIGITAL MEDIA & COMMUNICATINS III A LTD  
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

12/20/2006

\*\*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).

(1) Each of the Series D-1 shares is convertible into a number of shares of common stock equal to its stated value of \$333.00 per share (subject to adjustment) divided by the conversion price of \$3.33 per share (subject to adjustment).

(2) Shares may be converted into common stock at any time and on a perpetual basis.

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Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number. 1; border-bottom-width: 1"> Stock Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(3)</sup> \$ 27.74 <sup>(9)</sup>08/02/2017  
Common Stock 18,300 18,300 <sup>(9)</sup> D Stock Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(3)</sup> \$ 30.95 <sup>(10)</sup>01/02/2018 Common Stock  
18,950 18,950 <sup>(10)</sup> D Stock Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(3)</sup> \$ 11 <sup>(11)</sup>01/02/2019 Common stock 50,000 50,000  
<sup>(11)</sup> D Stock Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(3)</sup> \$ 17.03 <sup>(12)</sup>01/04/2020 Common Stock 47,170 47,170 <sup>(12)</sup> D Stock  
Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(3)</sup> \$ 36.45 <sup>(13)</sup>01/03/2021 Common Stock 33,070 33,070 <sup>(13)</sup> D Stock Option (Right  
to Buy) <sup>(3)</sup> \$ 55.93 <sup>(14)</sup>01/03/2022 Common Stock 21,410 21,410 <sup>(14)</sup> D Restricted Stock Unit <sup>(3)</sup> \$ 0  
<sup>(15)</sup>01/03/2015 Common Stock 8,840 8,840 <sup>(15)</sup> D Stock Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(3)</sup> \$ 68.21 <sup>(16)</sup>01/02/2023  
Common Stock 19,470 19,470 <sup>(16)</sup> D Restricted Stock Unit <sup>(3)</sup> \$ 0 <sup>(17)</sup>01/02/2016 Common Stock 11,650  
11,650 <sup>(17)</sup> D

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
THOMAS SAMUEL F ONE INFINITY CORPORATE CENTRE DRIVE GARFIELD HEIGHTS, OH 44125	X		Chairman, CEO and President	

## Signatures

/s/ Samuel F. Thomas, by Matthew J. Klaben, his attorney-in-fact pursuant to Power of Attorney dated June 29, 2006 on file with the Commission 02/26/2013

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- (1) The reporting person surrendered 7,505 shares upon vesting of 1/3 of the reporting person's February 22, 2010 restricted stock award, to satisfy tax withholding liabilities, in an exempt transaction under Rule 16b-3.
- 4,331 shares of the total amount beneficially owned were granted on January 3, 2011, pursuant to a restricted stock award agreement under the Chart Industries, Inc. 2009 Omnibus Equity Plan in an exempt transaction under Rule 16b-3 and remain subject to restriction. The restricted stock award vests in equal installments on each of the first three anniversaries of the date of grant.
- (2) No transaction is being reported on this line. Reported on a previously filed Form 4 or Form 5.
- (3) Held by trusts for the benefit of the reporting person's family member. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by the trusts, and this report should not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of the trusts' shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (4) Held by trust, with spouse as trustee, for the benefit of the reporting person's family member. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by the trust, and this report should not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of the trust's shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (5) Held by trust for the benefit of the reporting person's family members, including his spouse. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by the trust, and this report should not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of the trust's shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (6) Held by trust for the benefit of the reporting person's family members, including the reporting person.
- (7) These options were granted on November 23, 2005 as performance options under the Chart Industries, Inc. Amended and Restated 2005 Stock Incentive Plan in an exempt transaction under Rule 16b-3 and became fully vested on June 12, 2007.
- (8) These options were granted on August 2, 2007 pursuant to the Chart Industries, Inc. Amended and Restated 2005 Stock Incentive Plan in an exempt transaction under Rule 16b-3. The options vest with respect to one-fourth (1/4) of the total number of shares of common stock underlying the stock options on each of the first four anniversaries of the date of grant.
- (9) These options were granted on January 2, 2008 pursuant to the Chart Industries, Inc. Amended and Restated 2005 Stock Incentive Plan in an exempt transaction under Rule 16b-3. The options vest with respect to one-fourth (1/4) of the total number of shares of common stock underlying the stock options on each of the first four anniversaries of the date of grant.
- (10) These options were granted on January 2, 2009 pursuant to the Chart Industries, Inc. Amended and Restated 2005 Stock Incentive Plan in an exempt transaction under Rule 16b-3. The options vest with respect to one-fourth (1/4) of the total number of shares of common stock underlying the stock options on each of the first four anniversaries of the date of grant.
- (11) These options were granted on January 4, 2010 pursuant to the Chart Industries, Inc. 2009 Omnibus Equity Plan in an exempt transaction under Rule 16b-3. The options vest with respect to one-fourth (1/4) of the total number of shares of common stock underlying the stock options on each of the first four anniversaries of the date of grant.
- (12) These options were granted on January 3, 2011 pursuant to the Chart Industries, Inc. 2009 Omnibus Equity Plan in an exempt transaction under Rule 16b-3. The options vest with respect to one-fourth (1/4) of the total number of shares of common stock underlying the stock options on each of the first four anniversaries of the date of grant.
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- (14) These options were granted on January 3, 2012 pursuant to the Chart Industries, Inc. 2009 Omnibus Equity Plan in an exempt transaction under Rule 16b-3. The options vest with respect to one-fourth (1/4) of the total number of shares of common stock underlying the stock options on each of the first four anniversaries of the date of grant.

- (15) These securities, which are referred to by the Company as Leveraged Restricted Share Units (LRSUs), were granted on January 3, 2012 pursuant to a Leveraged Restricted Share Unit Agreement under the Chart Industries, Inc. 2009 Omnibus Equity Plan in an exempt transaction under Rule 16b-3. Shares of Company common stock will be issued following the vesting of the LRSUs on the third anniversary of the date of grant. The minimum number of shares of Company common stock that will be issued at payment is 50% of the grant amount of LRSUs, and the maximum number of shares of Company common stock that will be issued at payment is 150% of the grant amount of LRSUs.

- (16) These options were granted on January 2, 2013 pursuant to the Chart Industries, Inc. Amended and Restated 2009 Omnibus Equity Plan in an exempt transaction under Rule 16b-3. The options vest with respect to one-fourth (1/4) of the total number of shares of common stock underlying the stock options on each of the first four anniversaries of the date of grant.

- (17) These securities, which are referred to by the Company as Leveraged Restricted Share Units (LRSUs), were granted on January 2, 2013 pursuant to a Leveraged Restricted Share Unit Agreement under the Chart Industries, Inc. Amended and Restated 2009 Omnibus Equity Plan in an exempt transaction under Rule 16b-3. Shares of Company common stock will be issued following the vesting of the LRSUs on the third anniversary of the date of grant. The minimum number of shares of Company common stock that will be issued at payment is 50% of the grant amount of LRSUs, and the maximum number of shares of Company common stock that will be issued at payment is 150% of the grant amount of LRSUs.

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