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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

A Maughmer Bob

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

08/23/2010

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ASPEN EXPLORATION CORP [ASPN]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

President & COO

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

830 TENDERFOOT HILL **ROAD**

(Street)

(State)

Director _X__ Officer

10% Owner Other (give title below) (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

COLORADO SPRINGS. COÂ 80906

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

(City)

(Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership Form: Direct (D)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Ownership (Instr. 5)

or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

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

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative

5. Ownership Form of Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 5)

Date Exercisable Expiration Date

Title Amount or Number of

Shares

Security

Security: Direct (D) or Indirect

(I)

(Instr. 5)

Stock Options $\underline{^{(1)}}$ 08/23/2010 08/23/2015 $\frac{\text{Common}}{\text{Stock}}$ 1,000,000 \$ 0.49 D \hat{A}

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Maughmer Bob
830 TENDERFOOT HILL ROAD Â Â President & COO Â
COLORADO SPRINGS, COÂ 80906

Signatures

/s/ Bob
Maughmer

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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 Aspen's 2010 Stock Incentive Plan. The option vests as follows: 1/3 vested on August 23, 2010, 1/3 vest on August 23, 2011, and the final 1/3 vest on August 23, 2012. This transaction is exempt from Section 16(b) pursuant to Rule 16b-3(d).

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