UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BEFORE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES

In the Matter of

ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC.,

Respondent.

Docket No. 9310

ORDER DENYING MOTION TO EXTEND DISCOVERY AND MODIFY THE SCHEDULING ORDER

On November 12, 2003, Respondent filed its motion to extend discovery and modify the scheduling order. Respondent seeks an order extending the time permitted for discovery by two months and to modify the dates set forth in the Scheduling Order accordingly. Complaint Counsel filed its opposition on November 19, 2003.

Rule 3.21(c)(2) of the Commission's Rules of Practice requires a showing of good cause to extend deadlines specified in the scheduling order. 16 C.F.R. § 3.21(c)(2). Good cause has not been demonstrated at this stage in the litigation. Accordingly, the motion is **DENIED WITHOUT PREJUDICE**.

ORDERED;

Stephen J. McGuire Chief Administrative Law Judge

Date: November 20, 2003