

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
BEFORE THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

In the Matter of)	
ASPEN TECHNOLOGY, INC.,)	Docket No. 9310
Respondent.)	

DECLARATION OF ROBERT NEWTON

I, Robert Newton, based upon my personal knowledge concerning matters to which I am competent to testify, hereby declare as follows:

1. I am the Engineering Lead for the Nucleon Platforms of Solutia, Inc. ("Solutia")



Technology would have access to information that could allow them to shape their future negotiations with Solutia.

6. Also within the documents attached as Exhibit A to Solutia's Second Motion for In-Camera Treatment is confidential information regarding Solutia's organization structure, including the names of key employees. Given Solutia's present Chapter 11 status in bankruptcy, this information, if disclosed to the public, may be used by prospective recruiters to sway important personnel resources to leave Solutia. Much of Solutia's competitive edge in the

