CUSIP No.: 636105

1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSON S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF A BOVE PERSON

The V anguard G roup - 23-1945930

2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE [LINE] IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

A . B. <u>X</u>

3. SEC USE ONLY

4. CITIZENSHIP OF PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Pennsylvania

(For questions 5-8, report the number of shares beneficially owned by each reporting person with:)

5. SOLE VOTING POWER

47,866,996

6. SHARED VOTING POWER

7. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

52,279,113

8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

9,397,364

9. A GGREGATE A MOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

61,676,477

10. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

N/A

11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY A MOUNT IN ROW 9

5.15%

12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G Under the Securities Act of 1934

Check the following [line] if a fee is being paid with this statement $\ N\ A$

Item 1(a) - Name of Issuer:

A spen Group

<u>Item 1(b) - A ddress of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:</u>

720 South Colorado Boulevard Suite 1150N Denver, CO 80246

Item 2(a) - Name of Person Filing:

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<u>Item 2(b) - A ddress of Principal Business Office or, if none, residence:</u>

100 V anguard Blvd. Malvern, PA 19355

<u>Item 2(c) - Citizenship:</u>

Pennsylvania

Item 2(d) - Title of Class of Securities:

REIT

Item 2(e) - CUSIP Number

636105

Item 3 - Type of Filing:

This statement is being filed pursuant to Rule 13d-1. An investment adviser in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E).

Item 4 - Ownership:

A ppendix A

V anguard Investments A ustralia, Ltd. ("VIA"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of The V anguard Group, Inc., is the beneficial owner of 57,264,360 shares or 4.78% of the Common Stock outstanding of the Company as a result of its serving as investment manager of A ustralian investment offerings.

By /s/F. William McNabb III*

F. William McNabb III

President and Chief Executive Officer

*By: /s/Glenn Booraem

Glenn Booraem, pursuant to a Power of Attorney filed on January 29, 2010, see File Number 005-81485, Incorporated by Reference