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September 9, 2004

ATTENTION: European Research, Sales, Trading and Operations Staff

REINCORPORATION

BOOKHAM TECHNOLOGY PLC

Country: UNITED KINGDOM
Symbol: BKHM
CUSIP Number: 09856Q108
Exchange: NASDAQ
Ratio: 1:1

Pursuant to a Scheme of Arrangement under English law, Bookham Technology plc ("Bookham") will reincorporate in the United States as a subsidiary of Bookham, Inc. (the "Scheme"). The Scheme will become effective on September 10, 2004. Holders of American Depositary Receipts ("ADRs") evidencing American Depositary Shares ("ADSs") of Bookham Technology plc will receive new shares of Bookham Inc. Common Stock upon surrender of their ADSs. The terms of the scheme are as follows.

Last Day of ADR Trading	September 9, 2004
ADR Record Date	September 9, 2004
Scheme Effective Date	September 10, 2004
Terms of Scheme/Exchange	1 share of Bookham Inc. Common Stock for every 10 Bookham Technology plc ADSs held at the record date
Distribution Date of Bookham Inc. Shares	On or about September 14, 2004
CUSIP for Bookham Inc. Common Stock	09856E105

The books will be closed effective September 10, 2004 for all ADR issuances and cancellations. Holders will be required to surrender their ADSs to BNY for exchange into shares of Bookham Inc. Common Stock. A cancellation fee of \$0.005 per ADS will be payable by the holder upon surrender of Bookham Technology ADSs.

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