

Appendix 1

Transcript of Idaho Statesman interview with Jack Lemley, 31 October 2006.

Well, I've never walked away from a project ever until I retired from the London 2012 programme, and it was so political that I think there is going to be a huge difficulty in the completion both in terms of time and money and it's much more difficult because there's so much time being lost now. The costs are going to go up on an exponential basis and I'm just not going to be part of it. I think at the end of the day if I'm wrong and they can do it all for their budget then maybe I'll have some regrets about it, but right now I don't want my reputation ruined being able to deliver projects on time and on budget. If the team can't do it I don't want my reputation ruined so I felt it was better to come home now than face that in five or six years, time goes by real quickly. Our little company here has some pretty significant prospects ranging from Seattle to India so I'm not regretting anything like that, I can stay very active and very involved professionally without sitting in England wringing my hands about something I can't change and in the context of that type of thing I don't have any regrets. Do I feel badly about leaving London 2012? Yes I feel badly about it now. Do I think it's the right thing? Yes, it may take several years for that to become evident but I'm old enough that time passes quickly.