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To Whom It May Concern,

I am interested in the Ruby Engineer position at Hireology. For the past five months, I have been working on starting a company with two of my cousins. Our plan was to build a system of internal software for my uncle's paper converting company, with the idea that we could generalize this system and sell it to companies with similar needs. However, my uncle is selling part of his company, and now that he has less of a need for this software, we have decided not to continue with it.

Being able to start building this system from the ground up has been a great experience, even though we had to cut it short. I got to make decisions that I never needed to make as a consultant joining a mature project, and I have learned a lot in the process. Unfortunately, we have not deployed our system yet because he wants to wait for the sale of his company to be finalized, but we plan on putting what we have into production sometime in October.

Before starting this company with my cousins, I was working for 8th Light where I completed an apprenticeship and worked as a consultant for a year and a half. Most of my time as a consultant was spent on Rails apps or writing Javascript. In hindsight, I am extremely happy to have started my software development career with 8th Light because of the personal training I received from my mentor. I value the principles of craftsmanship, and I think it is the best way to write software.

I am disappointed to have to shut down my company so quickly, but I am very excited about the idea of working on a team again, particularly with some of the developers who work at Hireology. I look forward to discussing this opportunity further with you and appreciate your consideration.

Sincerely,  
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