**Toulmin’s Model table**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Key Claim** |  | |
|  | Petroleum is the key to saving human lives from wildfires. | |
| **Evidence** |  | |
| 1 | Gasoline was needed for the cars and trucks of the residents evacuating Fort MacMurray | |
| 2 | Petroleum products like water bottles are crucial for surviving wildfires | |
| 3 | Modern petroleum technologies power emergency response vehicles | |
| 4 | Larger wildfires are inevitable regardless of the use of oil. | |
| **Qualifier** |  | |
|  | Most people who live near forested areas are at risk of being in the path of potential wildfires. | |
|  | Many people around the are affected by wildfires every year | |
| **Warrant** | | **Backing** |
| Climate alarmists believe Carbon emissions are to blame for the increase of wildfires. | | Elizabeth May demand Canadians “slash” fossil fuel consumption to prevent future wildfires. But no real scientist believes that wildfires can be completely prevented (Libin, 2019). |
| Petroleum service stations were filled with residents escaping the wildfires | | Mohamad Bouchaala, a Fort Mac resident, saved his family by renting a fully gassed Jeep to save his family (Libin, 2019). |
| Petroleum powered Emergency vehicles are required to fight wildfires. | | ‘Gasoline fueled the buses that saved 100,000 residents of Fort Mac, Also it fueled the firefighting aircraft used by the first responders to control the blaze (Libin, 2019)’. |
|  | |  |
|  | |  |
| **Rebuttal** |  | |
|  |  | |
|  |  | |
| Conclusion |  | |
|  |  | |

* 1. Answer the following questions: What are 2 strong points in the argument? What are 2 weak points in the argument?