Dear IGN,

I recently finished a temporary programming job and intend to relocate to San Francisco to enter the video game industry. These are two dreams that have been reoccurring since high school. After 5 years, I believe I finally have a chance to actualize both.

I've always been a gamer and am very knowledgeable about video games. I'm familiar with the general designs and mechanics that constitute them. I can play many on a competitive level, often exploiting unbalanced mechanics. I also love to socially play with friends, so I understand why people play games and what people desire in them. I imagine this experience of simply playing video games would help for any position in the game industry.

My last job was with a small software company with only three developers (including me!). Due to the size, all development was done iteratively. The core program ran continuously, yet additional code was committed twice a week. Projects ranged from three day ASP.NET pages to three month interfaces, breaking large projects into feasible milestones. I now understand a copious amount of work can be accomplished while still retaining a quality working program in an incremental environment.

Detailed in my resume, you will see I have experience in other fields as well. I am confident that working in the city and industry of my dreams, I would be overly motivated to work for any company, especially IGN. I rely on IGN's video reviews to determine whether I should play a video game or not! Thank you for your consideration, and thank you for being awesome.

Sincerely, Rahil Patel