Dear EMC Recruiter,

Hope this letter finds you well. I would like to start by introducing myself. I’m a Virginia born citizen and a recent graduate in computer science, with a background in motels. I am applying for the Software Engineer 2 position in RTP (req id: 44157BR).

First, I know the rank ‘2’ signifies 1-3 years of experience, but I feel I am qualified for the responsibilities and skills listed. Most of the desired skills listed in the job post were generic, except SCM and Perl. I’ve used a bit of Subversion in the past, and I am sure mastering SCM software is not a problem. As for Perl, I have not touched it. Instead, I have used the often cited similar language, PHP.

Most of my PHP experience comes from a highly functional ~2000 line internet forum I had to create for class. It was programmed in a LAMP environment. The forum included: a login, statistics tracking, searching, e-mail notifications, bbcode, a web feed, threaded replies, pagination, user hierarchy, and related user functions. It was exhaustive, but ended up being my favorite class. Everything was self-taught, the results were immediate, and it felt modern.

Since then, I’ve created a personal portfolio website. You can see the forum and source code at <http://rahilpatel.com/portfolio.php>. Now I’m currently bringing my Java skills up to par with my C++.

The job responsibilities consisted of code maintenance and quality assurance. I believe this is a job an entry-level employee could accomplish. The pay can be reduced to entry-level too. EMC is one of the few reputable large companies, and I would love to be a part of it. I am comfortable developing quality solutions and confident that my work ethic and tidy code will prove to be an asset to your organization.

Detailed in my resume, you will see I have experience in other fields as well. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding my resume, please feel free to contact me anytime via e-mail or phone. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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