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Dear Carbon Computing,

Are there any job opportunities available at either of your stores? As a leading AASP in Ontario, you provide excellent service, and I know that you're always on the cutting edge, and open to new innovations such as the Modbook. I believe that my experience can add value to your company, and satisfy even the most demanding of your customers.

I plan to come to Canada for 12 months on a Working Holiday Programme visa from August 2014. I can arrange all the necessary paperwork, find my own accommodation, and purchase my own flight tickets.

In summer 2008, I worked for Axiotron, the creators of the Modbook tablet Mac. I proceeded to do an exchange programme in UCSB for one year, before returning to the UK. In July 2011, I graduated from Lancaster University in the UK with a first-class Masters degree in Electronic Systems Engineering. Since then, I've done similar internships and working holiday programmes around the world, as you can read on my résumé (http://peter-burk.rhcloud.com/resume/). This included 3.5 months in Vancouver in 2011, and I had an excellent impression of Canada.

The first experience I had of Apple products was a Macintosh Portable. It came out in September 1989, just like me! I have a photo (http://peterburk.github.com/digitalnative) of me learning to use it in 1991. When I was 8 years old, my father brought home an old Macintosh Plus, and told me that I could keep it if I fixed it. I bought a replacement motherboard for 50 Swiss Francs, attached an external SCSI drive, and made it work! I used it to teach myself to program in LogoWriter. The family computer (a Mac LC III, then an iMac DV) was faster, but I preferred to use my own.

When I entered secondary school in 2000, my parents bought me a new clamshell iBook G3 (http://peter-burk.rhcloud.com/dot-com-boom/). It was so much better than my Mac Plus! I used it for school: I made a PowerPoint presentation about Ancient China to my history teacher, finding photos and music on the Web.
In 2005, I heard that the primary school was throwing out 20 old iBook G3s. I bought them, used the parts from a few to fix the rest (http://peter-burk.rhcloud.com/ibook-repair/), and sold 15 of them for a small profit. I also fixed many iPods for friends using instructions from iFixit. I later became familiar with the Apple Service Source documentation for several MacBook models while at Axiotron.

I have resisted repairing my current MacBook Pro, because it is still covered by AppleCare. My parents bought me one (W87284NQX92) in 2007 before I went to university, and I had it repaired 7 times during the 3 year warranty. Two months from the end of the warranty, I took it in due to a graphics chip issue, and persuaded the

Apple Store in Manchester to replace the machine with a brand-new unibody model! The second MacBook Pro (W801440CAGU) needed 6 repairs over the following 3 years, and - to my amazement - I qualified for a replacement (C02JN1DRDV33) yet again! I've visited Apple Stores and AASPs all over the world: in California, the UK, Switzerland, France, South Korea, Japan, New Zealand, China, and India. I've become very familiar with the repair process and delivery times for replacement parts. My modding has therefore all been outside my case: e.g. a FireWire to car female adaptor (http://peter-pockets.rhcloud.com/firewire-400-f-to-car-f/), allowing me to add 2 more USB ports for charging.

It would be an honour to train for the ACMT certification, and work for Carbon Computing. Please let me know if an opportunity arises at either of your stores!

Best regards,
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