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To whom it may concern,

My name is Brian; I'm a single adult that works 10+ hours a day just to make ends meet. I was previously employed by a major company in the Phoenix area making approximately \$65k a year in the IT field until I was let go, due to downsizing of my department. As a native and current resident of Alton, I am all for the opening up of a coal mining operation for a few reasons:

- * In a time of economic troubles Kane and surrounding counties will receive an economic boost with the opening of the mine. It would provide high paying, year round jobs, to an area that generally lives below the poverty line. Currently most jobs in this area are seasonal, (i.e. construction, farming etc) forcing residents to work twice as hard to make sure they survive during the winters.
- * As a resident, and a son of a landowner, our family along with every other family in Alton has been working with the mining company to make sure that the operations do not interfere with our daily lives.
 - o They have agreed not to work on Sundays due to the majority of residents being members of the LDS faith.
 - o They have made plans to, and will be building the roads to circumvent the town so that there aren't trucks cruising through town during operations.
- * Being a single adult making a meager living I would jump at the chance to ensure mine, and my future family's livelihood and economic future. I can't justify working 10+ hours a day 6 days a week just to put a roof over our head and food on the table. I wouldn't have any time for my family.

I would like to thank you for your time and consideration in reading this letter.

Regards,

Brian Heaton