

APPENDIX F – MOTIVATION WHERE NO REASONABLE OR FEASIBLE ALTERNATIVES

No alternatives other than the preferred alternative are considered as result of several logical deductions which specifically relates to the mining of Rose Quarts.

The identification of this site is directly linked to the geographical location of the target mineral. The general area, as well as the site is known to bear pockets of viable Rose Quarts reserves. The proposed mining activities will cause no significant cumulative impacts to the natural environment. No additional infrastructure is required in order for the operation to be functional.

Access roads as well as haul roads are already present on site, implying that minimal surface disturbances will take place during the construction phase. The overall location has been identified as the most viable site based on its overall environmental impact significance and potential as a viable Rose Quarts mining option.

The proposed activities are directly related to existing land uses as well as previous or historical land uses. The advantages of the proposed site in terms of physical, biological, socio-economic aspects thus supersede the disadvantages associated with the proposed site.

The mere fact that the activities are not proposed in a natural, undisturbed property serves as adequate motivation for the preferred site location and site activity.