



<u>TOWN OF HOLLAND</u> Police Department 27 Sturbridge Road Holland, MA 01521 Bryan C. Haughey *Chief of Police*

March 1, 2022

Fuss & O'Neill Engineering Firm Attn: Diane Mas, Vice President 146 Hartford Road Manchester, CT 06040

Subj: Holland MA MVP FY22 Round 2 Planning Grant – Request for Quote to Procure Service

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