February 14, 2022

Glenn Eaton, Executive Director Montachusett Regional Planning Commission 464 Abbott Ave. Leominster, MA 01453

Re: DLTA

Dear Mr. Eaton,

For the FY22 Round #1 of the District Local Technical Assistance (DLTA) program, the Town of Winchendon seeks local technical assistance to complete a Housing Production Plan (HPP) for the town of Winchendon.

At present, the town of Winchendon's housing stock includes 8% of affordable units. Unfortunately the town expects to see this number decrease with the amount of construction of market rate homes built in the community over the last 18 months as well as the sharp increase in real estate sale prices. This is of concern because not only will the community fall short of the 10% subsidized housing inventory goal, many residents of Winchendon do not have the means or the income to buy or rent higher priced homes. As a result, it has become necessary that the town compile a Housing Production Plan to act as a guide to work towards providing more affordable homes in the community.

If you have any questions regarding our application, please contact the office of Planning and Development, 109 Front Street Winchendon MA 01475 or call 1-978-297-5414.

Sincerely,

Audrey LaBrie Chair, Board of Selectmen Winchendon MA 01475