

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**  
**Legislation Committee**  
Answers to questions on notice  
**Environment portfolio**

**Question No:** 300  
**Hearing:** Supplementary Budget Estimates  
**Outcome:** Corporate  
**Programme:** Corporate Strategies Division  
**Topic:** PORTFOLIO WIDE - OFFICE PLANTS  
**Hansard Page:**  
**Question Date:** 29 October 2014  
**Question Type:** Written

**Senator Ludwig asked:**

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014, has the department/agency purchased or leased any office plants?

- a. If so, list these
- b. If so, list the total cost for these items
- c. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure
- d. If so, where were these purchased
- e. If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased
- f. If so, what is the current location for these items?

**Answer:**

**Department of the Environment**

Type (a)	Quantity	Total Cost (b)	Item Cost / mth (c)
Desk planters (Darwin)	37	\$1,408.00	\$7.61
Floor planters (Canberra)	301	\$15,272.70	\$10.15
<b>Total</b>	<b>338</b>	<b>\$16,680.70</b>	-

Note All costs are GST inclusive.

Total Cost is for the period 1 May 2014 to 30 September 2014.

- d) Canberra based office plants are leased through Instyle indoor plants. Darwin based office plants are leased through PJ Nursey.
- e) N/A
- f) Canberra based office plants are located at the John Gorton Building in Parkes and 33 Allara Street in Canberra City. Darwin based office plants are located at 3 Pederson Road Eaton.

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Type (a)	Quantity	Total Cost (b)	Item Cost (c)
Desk planter	47	\$353.91	\$7.53
Floor planters	74	\$1,285.38	\$17.37
Floor troughs	24	\$416.88	\$17.37
Window box trough	9	\$140.67	\$15.63
<b>Total</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>\$2,196.84</b>	<b>-</b>

Note: costs are per month and GST inclusive.

- d. All office plants on the premises are leased through Living Simply.
- e. Not applicable.
- f. All office plants are located at 5 Farrell Place, Canberra, ACT.

The following portfolio agencies have a Nil response:

Sydney Harbour Federation Trust

National Water Commission

Murray Darling Basin Authority

Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority

Climate Change Authority

Bureau of Meteorology