

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

**Question No:** 147  
**Hearing:** Additional Estimates  
**Outcome:** Corporate  
**Programme:** Corporate Strategies Division  
**Topic:** Portfolio wide – office plants  
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**Question Date:** 7 March 2014  
**Question Type:** Written

**Senator Ludwig asked:**

Since 7 September 2013 has the department/agency purchased or leased any new 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:**

The Department and its agencies have a Nil response to this question with the following exception.

The Bureau of Meteorology leased new office plants for its Queensland Regional Office at 69 Anne Street, Brisbane.

- a) Leased seven indoor planters which included monthly maintenance.
- b) Total cost of the service is \$1,401.40 per annum.
- c) Each planter costs \$200.20 per annum.
- d) Plants are leased from Ambius.
- e) Quotes were sought from suppliers to ensure value for money prior to entering into the agreement.
- f) The plants are located in common areas, reception, hallways and lunchrooms within the Bureau's Queensland Regional Office.