

**Senate Economics Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Treasury Portfolio**

Additional Estimates

2015 - 2016

**Department/Agency: RAM**

**Question: AET 3506**

**Topic: Office plants**

**Reference: written - 19 February 2016**

**Senator: Ludwig, Joe**

**Question:**

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

3506. 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:**

3506. Yes

- a) To do so would be an unreasonable diversion of resources.
- b) \$1366.00
- c) To do so would be an unreasonable diversion of resources.
- d) The Royal Australian Mint holds a two year contract with Superior Indoor Plant Hire for the hire and maintenance of indoor plants.
- e) Office plants are maintained/serviced on a regular basis and replacement on an as required basis. Replacement plants are identified during routine maintenance and site inspection. The costs of replacement plants are captured in the fixed contract sum.
- f) All office plants are located in the Royal Australian Mint, 60 Denison Street, Deakin ACT 2600.