

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016**

Outcome: Agency: ASQA

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000735

Senator Ludwig, Joe provided in writing.

ASQA: Office Plants

Question

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

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

The Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA) has provided the following response:

ASQA entered into a three year lease and maintenance contract for the supply of office plants with Living Simply in February 2012.

- a. This contract supplies plants to each of ASQA offices listed below:
 - Levels 7 and 8 – 215 Adelaide Street Brisbane
 - Level 6 – 595 Collins Street Melbourne
 - Level 13 – 115 Grenfell Street Adelaide
 - Level 3 – 64 Northbourne Avenue Canberra
 - Level 11 – 250 St Georges Terrace Perth
 - Level 10 – 255 Elizabeth Street Sydney
- b. ASQA pays a monthly contracted total cost of \$1,851. For the period 1 September 2015 to 31 January 2016 the total cost of this contract was \$9255.

c. The itemised details and costs for each of the offices is listed below:

Brisbane

- x 42 Planter Box Built In @ \$16.20 ea
- x 2 Desk Planter 250mm @ \$7.20ea
- x 3 Trough 900mm @ \$16.20ea
- x 2 Floor Planter 450mm - Executive @ \$16.20ea
- x 5 Desk Planter 250mm - Bowl @ \$8.65ea
- x 2 Floor Planter 450mm - Ceramic @ \$19.45ea

Melbourne

- x 6 Desk Planter 250mm @ \$7.55ea
- x 5 Floor Planter 450mm - Executive @ \$21.16ea
- x 8 Trough Cabinet @ \$14.85ea
- x 4 Floor Planter 450mm - Wedge @ \$17.80ea

Adelaide

- x 7 Floor Planter 450mm - Tapered @ \$23.00ea
- x 1 Trough 1200mm @ \$28.50ea
- x 2 Desk Planter 250mm @ \$9.10ea

Canberra

- x 6 Planter Box Built In - Metal @ \$9.50ea
- x 3 Desk Planter 250mm @ \$7.20ea
- x 1 Wedge 450mm @ \$14.50ea

Perth

- x 4 Desk Planter 250mm - Bowl @ \$12.00ea

Sydney

- x 10 Floor Planter 450mm @ \$10.80ea
- x 2 Floor Planter 450mm - Executive @ \$13.50ea

d. The items were not purchased

e. Not applicable

f. Not applicable