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## Will Trump Era Spell Trouble for Alternative Energy ETFs?

The victory of Donald Trump has flared up uncertainties in the alternative energy industry. Far from supporting the renewable sector with any kind of incentives, the President has promised to revive coal. The industry was under pressure even prior to the election but the outlook has clearly taken a beating since then.

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### ETFs to Tap the Sector

For investors seeking to play this trend in the ETF form, the following alternative energy ETFs could be interesting picks.

#### **PowerShares WilderHill Clean Energy Portfolio (PBW)**

Launched in March 2005, PBW tracks the WilderHill Clean Energy Index. It focuses on companies that are engaged in the business of advancement of cleaner energy and conservation.

PBW has an asset base of nearly \$87.7 million. This fund holds 38 stocks and the top 10 companies occupy a 34.86% share of the total net assets. The average daily volume (3 months) is 99,139 shares. The fund has an annual dividend yield of 2.55% and an expense ratio of 0.70%.

The top three individual holdings in the ETF are Daqo New Energy Corp. (DQ), Tesla Motors Inc. (TSLA) and Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile S.A. (SQM), with asset allocation of 3.85%, 3.82% and 3.68%, respectively.

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#### **PowerShares Global Clean Energy Portfolio ETF(PBD)**

Launched in March 2007, this ETF follows the WilderHill New Energy Global Innovation Index, giving investors exposure to about 100 companies that are engaged in renewable sources of energy and technologies facilitating cleaner energy.

The fund's assets under management are worth \$51.29 million and its expense ratio is 0.76% a year. The fund's top 10 holdings contribute 19.29%. PBD has an average daily volume (3 months) of 17,510 shares and has an annual dividend yield of 1.93%.

The top three individual holdings in the ETF are Tesla Motors Inc., Universal Display Corporation (OLED) and OSRAM Licht AG, with asset allocation of 2.10%, 2.02% and 1.98%, respectively.

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