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Will the Clean Energy ETF Surge Continue in 2014?

After being stressed over the past few years, the renewable energy sector has fired on all cylinders and is the major gainer this year, clearly outpacing the broad market. This is largely thanks to a number of growth stocks in the space, which was backed by the surging stock market, favorable green energy trends and Obama's 'Climate Change Action Plan'.

Obama Plan Proves Beneficial

In June, President Obama unveiled a broad environmental plan in order to curb carbon pollution from coal-fired power plants and make cleaner forms of American-made energy. The plan hinges on three pillars – cutting carbon emissions, preparing for the impact of climate change, and leading international efforts on the subject

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... we have highlighted three ETFs that could be worth a look if America continues to embrace green technology, and energy efficiency

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PowerShares WilderHill Clean Energy Portfolio Fund (PBW) This product follows the WilderHill Clean Energy Index, holding about 51 stocks in its basket. The fund has amassed \$202.4 million in its asset base and sees solid volume of more than 420,000 shares a day. The expense ratio comes in at 0.70%. The ETF is pretty well spread out across various securities, as each make up less than 4.6% of total assets. **Canadian Solar (CSIQ)**, **SunEdison (SUNE)**, and **FuelCell Energy (FCEL)** are the top three elements in the basket. PBW added nearly 51% in the year-to-date time frame

Bottom Line Given strong fundamentals ahead, investors should 'go green' with the above three products that are slightly tilted toward growth stocks, and are expected to deliver above-average returns compared to others in the space.