Hold Archer Aviation? Here Is Another Unstoppable Growth Stock and ETF to Buy in April

It takes courage to buy beaten-down growth stocks during a stock market sell-off. But long-term investors know that it's better to focus on where a company could be several years from now than get too caught up in short-term fluctuations in stock

Archer Aviation(NYSE: ACHR) has sparked excitement from investors interested in technology and electric vehicles (EVs). But the company is still a long way from being consistently profitable.

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<u>Exchange-traded funds</u> (ETFs) offer investors diversification and the ability to own several stocks under one ticker. The **Invesco WilderHill Clean Energy ETF** (NYSEMKT: PBW) could appeal to bold investors interested in small-cap clean energy companies beyond Archer Aviation.

Here's why both stocks and the ETF are worth a closer look in April.

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A catch-all way to invest in small-cap clean energy stocks

... (Invesco WilderHill Clean Energy ETF): Archer Aviation is one of over 60 holdings in the Invesco WilderHill Clean Energy ETF. The fund is based on the WilderHill Clean Energy Index -- which is composed of clean energy companies from majors like Tesla to up-and-coming players.

Unlike market cap-weighted funds, the Invesco WilderHill Clean Energy ETF is roughly equal-weighted. For example, Tesla has a 1.9% weighting, which is close to the same as 1.7% for Archer Aviation even though Tesla has a market cap of \$801 billion at the time of this writing compared to less than \$4 billion for Archer Aviation. In fact, over 83% of the fund is invested in small-cap companies like Archer

Unfortunately, small-cap clean energy companies have been especially vulnerable to high interest rates - leading to major sell-off in several clean energy industries -- from <u>solar</u> to <u>EVs</u> and more. The ETF is down 27.5% year to date compared to a 14.2%

decline in the **Nasdaq Composite** at the time of this writing. But over the last three years, the ETF is down a staggering 75.8% compared to a 21% gain in the Nasdaq.

Due to its focus on small caps, the fund's performance will vary significantly from the major benchmarks that are dominated by megacap

It's worth noting that the fund sports an expense ratio of 0.65% -- which is much higher than <u>ultra-low-cost funds</u> like the **Vanguard ...**. However, the fee may be worth it if the fund is helping you fill an investment objective, such as targeting equal weights across dozens of clean energy

Investors with a long-term time horizon and a high risk tolerance may want to consider the Invesco WilderHill Clean Energy ETF, which offers broad-based exposure to smallcap clean energy companies like Archer Aviation.

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