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## How Did These 7 Green Money Managers Do in 2013?

Last December, I asked my panel of managers of green funds and portfolios to predict the major trends of 2013, and pick their top stock for the year to come. I wrote a series of articles based on their responses, which I'll reference below.

I plan to ask them the same questions this year, but first I will check on how they've done so far.

## The Managers

Not everyone on my panel responded to all the questions, but here are the ones who did:

• Dr. Rob Wilder is Index Committee Chair for WilderHill Clean Energy Index (ECO), the first to capture and track this sector. ECO underlies the PowerShares WilderHill Clean Energy ETF (NYSE:PBW.)

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**2013** seems to have been an inflection point, with large gains led by <u>Tesla Motors</u> (NASD:TSLA) and solar stocks reversing several bad years. Four of my managers polled: Wilder, ..., and ... get kudos for saying 2013 could mark a new era for clean energy, but none of them pinpointed the nature of the change.

.... Rob Wilder also did well, by being true to his calling as an index manager, and riding that index to strong returns in a year when none of these prognosticators foresaw the incredible rise of solar stocks. ....

As for the others, returns ranging from 8% to 41% would not have been anything to complain about in a normal year, and they had some good insights into the sector. As a green money manager myself, I'd say I also fall in to this group: Our returns have been decent, but nothing like those of solar stocks or sector indexes like Rob Wilder's.

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