

Renewable Energy Laws

Renewable Energy - Not Economic Steroids

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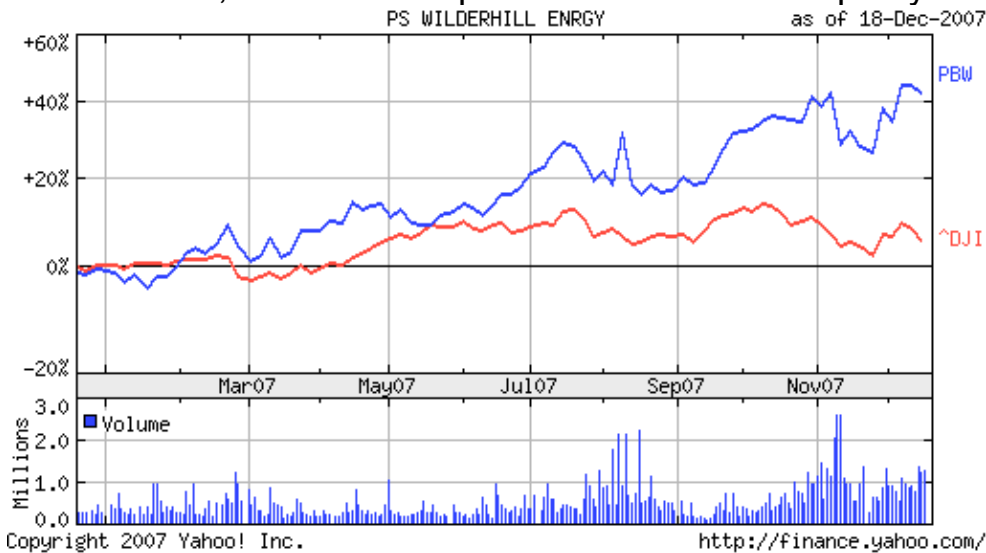
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In its recent "*Renewable Energy Attractiveness*" report, accounting firm Ernst & Young's UK-based Renewable Energy Group breaks down the potential for renewable energy stocks and index funds to crush market averages.

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Just take a look at this chart of the PowerShares WilderHill Clean Energy ETF (AMEX:[PBW](#)) compared to the Dow. Despite this year's market woes, PBW has outperformed the blue chips by 733%!



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The federal government has moved at a snail's pace with [legislation](#) . . . until now. Energy efficiency is the first step, with final approval given on Tuesday to a major energy bill that will phase out 100-watt incandescent lightbulbs by 2012 and improve household appliance energy use.

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