

# Press Release

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## Semi-annual Changes to the NASDAQ Clean Edge Green Energy Index

**New York, NY, March 14, 2011** — The NASDAQ OMX Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: NDAQ) and Clean Edge, Inc. announced today the results of the semi-annual evaluation of the NASDAQ® Clean Edge® Green Energy Index (NASDAQ: CELS), which will become effective prior to market open on Monday, March 21, 2011.

The following 14 securities will be added to the Index: Advanced Analogic Technologies, Inc. (NASDAQ: AATI), Active Power, Inc. (NASDAQ: ACPW), Ameresco, Inc. (NYSE: AMRC), Amtech Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: ASYS), Ballard Power Systems Inc. (NASDAQ: BLDP), Codexis, Inc. (NASDAQ: CDXS), Capstone Turbine Corporation (NASDAQ: CPST), EMCORE Corporation (NASDAQ: EMKR), FuelCell Energy, Inc. (NASDAQ: FCEL), Gevo, Inc. (NASDAQ: GEVO), JinkoSolar Holding Co., Ltd. (NYSE: JKS), SemiLEDs Corporation (NASDAQ: LEDS), China Ming Yang Wind Power Group Limited (NYSE: MY), and Valence Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ: VLNC).

The Index is designed to track the performance of clean-energy companies that are publicly traded in the U.S. The Index includes companies engaged in the manufacturing, development, distribution, and installation of emerging clean-energy technologies such as solar photovoltaics, biofuels and advanced batteries. The five major sub-sectors that the index covers are Renewable Electricity Generation, Renewable Fuels, Energy Storage & Conversion, Energy Intelligence and Advanced Energy-Related Materials. The securities must also meet other eligibility criteria which include minimum requirements for market value, average daily share volume, and price. The NASDAQ® Clean Edge® Green Energy Index is evaluated semi-annually in March and September. For more information about the NASDAQ® Clean Edge® Green Energy Index, including detailed eligibility criteria, visit <https://indexes.nasdaqomx.com/>.

The NASDAQ Clean Edge Green Energy Index is the basis for the First Trust NASDAQ Clean Edge Green Energy Index Fund (NASDAQ: QCLN), which seeks investment results that correspond generally to the price and yield of the NASDAQ Clean Edge Green Energy Index before fees and expenses.

As a result of the evaluation, the following three securities will be removed from the Index: Comverge, Inc. (NASDAQ: COMV), IXYS Corporation (NASDAQ: IXYS), and PowerSecure International, Inc. (NASDAQ: POWR).

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Access to essential historical index data for NASDAQ OMX indexes can be accessed from a single source, NASDAQ OMX Global Index Watch. For additional information, please visit <https://indexes.nasdaqomx.com/indexwatch.aspx>.

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