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See who's investing in Seattle-area clean-tech firms

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Venture capitalists are known for keeping their money close to home so they easily can check on a portfolio company in person. That's not necessarily the case for those who invest in clean tech.

"In the clean tech space, there are investors all over the country. Whether they are in Silicon Valley or Boston or New York, they will invest in quality deals all over the country regardless of where the deals are," said Kirk Van Alstyne, managing partner of Evolution Capital Advisors, a Seattle-based boutique investment bank. "They are out there and they are active. You just have to work hard as a Northwest company to get out and find those folks."

Here is a sample of Seattle-area clean tech companies and their venture investors in recent years:

AltaRock Energy

- Khosla Ventures, of Menlo Park, Calif.
- Kleiner Perkins Caufield & Byers, of Menlo Park, Calif.

Greenwood Technologies

- Copia Associates, of San Ramon, Calif.

HaloSource

- Buerk Dale Victor, of Seattle
- Masdar Clean Tech Fund, of Abu Dhabi
- Unilever Technology Ventures, of San Francisco

Imperium Renewables

- Nth power, of San Francisco
- Technology Partners, of Palo Alto, Calif.

Inventure Chemical

- Cedar Grove Investments, of Seattle

Optimum Energy LLC

- Columbia Pacific Management Inc., of Seattle

Powerit Solutions LLC

- @Ventures, of Waltham, Mass.
- Expansion Capital Partners, of San Francisco

Propel Biofuels

- @Ventures, of Waltham, Mass.
- Nth power, of San Francisco

Targeted Growth Inc.

- AllianceBernstein, of New York, N.Y.
- Capricorn Management, of Palo Alto, Calif.
- Integra Ventures, of Seattle
- WRF Capital, of Seattle
- Investment Saskatchewan, of Regina, Saskatchewan

Verdiem Corp.

- Angeleno Group, of Los Angeles
- Catamount Ventures, of San Francisco
- Falcon Partners, of Seattle
- Kleiner Perkins Caufield & Byers, of Menlo Park, Calif.
- Phoenix Partners, of Seattle

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