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Everything starts with energy, including opportunity

Energy is the axis around which the global economy turns. It is the very engine of life itself. Technology driven disruption is creating a boom in electricity generation, energy storage and the electrification of industries.



31 January 2025

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Commentary (all movements in this commentary are expressed in US dollar terms, unless otherwise stated)

T8 Energy Vision finished January up 1.5% (in Australian dollars, hedged to the Australian dollar). In unhedged US dollar terms, this equated to up 2.1%, outperforming the fund's benchmark (-1.3%) and US small caps (+2.6%). Global equities rebounded after cooler than expected inflation data triggered a reversal in bond yields. The strong performance came notwithstanding markets being rattled by multiple left field factors (US presidential executive orders, DeepSeek and tariffs, which we will elaborate on below) which created a challenging environment for future energy stocks (the energy complex has the potential to be exposed to these factors both positively and negatively).

Within the fund's energy benchmark, the biggest detractors at sub-segment level were battery technology and stationary storage (-10.0%) detracting 63 basis points, biofuel (-10.3%) detracting 45 basis points, wind (-5.8%) detracting 40 basis points and hydrogen (-9.8%) detracting 36 basis points. These declines were partially offset by contributions from electric utilities (+1.5%) contributing 42 basis points, enabling technology (+2.7%) contributing 24 basis points and critical materials (+3.5%) contributing 21 basis points.

Within our portfolio, the critical materials segment (+165 basis points) was the key contributor, rebounding from being the main detractor in December. This was reflected at stock level with two out of the three key contributors coming from critical materials. MP Materials (+111 basis points) and Pan American Silver (+83 basis points) were the largest contributors. Pan American Silver reflected the appreciation of the silver price (+8.3%) and rare earths producer MP Materials (+40.8%) reported commercial production of neodymium-praseodymium (NdPr) metal at its Independence facility in Texas as well as trial production of neodymium-iron-boron (NdFeB) magnets at the same facility. These are significant milestones on its journey to produce permanent magnets in the US using NdPr mined at its Mountain Pass operation located in California and thereby create a fully integrated rare earth magnet supply chain in the US. Please refer to the more substantial commentary on our <u>website</u>.

Insight

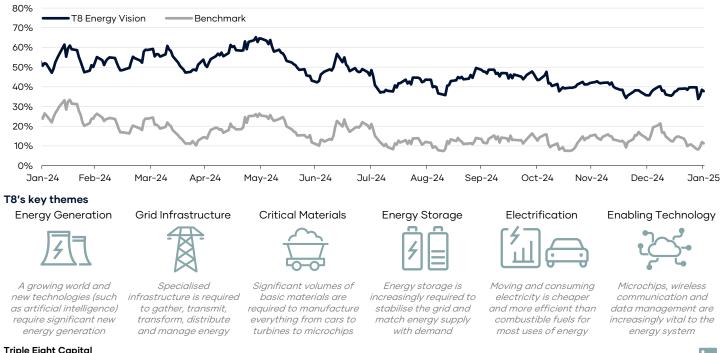
During January markets were rattled by a number of unrelated left-field factors (US presidential executive orders; the unveiling of DeepSeek and the announcement of new tariffs). While each caused short term uncertainty and elevated volatility, major indices recovered to post fresh all-time highs. Looking below the surface, we believe that each factor will have a positive impact on electricity demand. We elaborate in a paper published on our <u>website</u>.

Outlook

We have a very optimistic outlook for electricity demand (the US has increasing demand for electricity for the first time in 20 years driven by data centres) and the fundamentals of the electricity generation industry as well as transmission and distribution grid infrastructure and all of the associated supply chains (from critical minerals, to transformers and cables, to the latest nuclear reactor technology).

We reiterate that falling US interest rates (100 basis points of cuts so far) are yet to have a material impact on our focus area of the electric energy sector and its supply chains (which have historically displayed very high sensitivity to interest rates). We believe that this lag is explained by recent policy uncertainty (especially up to and following the US election) which has temporarily obscured the impact of this significantly positive catalyst. Our philosophy is that it is impossible to accurately forecast the timing of when cyclical markets will rebound but that it is inevitable and often occurs without a decisive signal. We remain confident in our portfolio which comprises the most fundamentally attractive energy stocks (companies with industry leadership positions, strong fundamentals, strong balance sheets and competitive advantage).

Performance (A\$, return since inception - last 12 months)



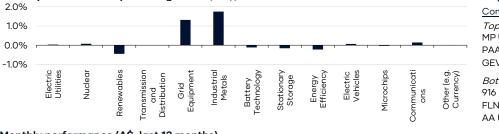
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Monthly contribution by 'building block' (US\$)





| 'Building block' | Contribution |
|--------------------|--|
| | |
| Industrial Metals | +111 |
| Industrial Metals | +83 |
| Grid Equipment | +63 |
| | |
| Renewables | -47 |
| Stationary Storage | -38 |
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T8 Energy Vision Benchmark Small Caps² Global Equities³



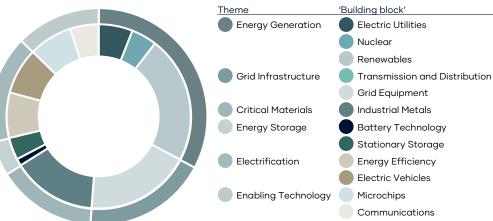
Monthly performance (A\$, since inception)

| | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Total | Benchmark | Small Caps ² | Global Equities ³ |
|------|--------|-------|--------|--------|------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|-----------|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| 2019 | | | | | | | | 7.3% | -5.1% | 4.6% | 4.2% | 5.7% | 17.3% | 9.5% | 4.2% | 6.5% |
| 2020 | -2.7% | 2.4% | -14.0% | 24.1% | 9.9% | 3.4% | 12.6% | 8.5% | 1.6% | 5.4% | 21.7% | 11.9% | 115.5% | 154.7% | 12.6% | 7.3% |
| 2021 | 9.7% | -3.4% | 3.0% | -1.8% | 1.6% | 4.7% | -2.1% | 1.4% | -3.9% | 3.4% | -0.2% | -10.1% | 1.0% | -21.2% | 22.9% | 29.5% |
| 2022 | -9.5% | 1.6% | 2.5% | -11.3% | 1.0% | -6.1% | 17.8% | 1.1% | -9.8% | 1.1% | 4.9% | -10.7% | -19.3% | -20.9% | -13.3% | -11.3% |
| 2023 | 10.2% | -1.1% | -0.5% | -6.4% | 1.6% | 5.7% | 3.5% | -11.5% | -10.8% | -16.0% | 1.2% | 11.3% | -16.1% | -19.6% | 18.2% | 24.7% |
| 2024 | -13.4% | 1.1% | 4.1% | -4.8% | 8.8% | -12.9% | 3.7% | -3.3% | 3.4% | -3.5% | -1.0% | -4.4% | -22.0% | -19.9% | 23.7% | 31.2% |
| 2025 | 1.5% | | | | | | | | | | | | 1.5% | -1.7% | 2.2% | 3.1% |

Performance and risk metrics (A\$)

| Returns | Portfolio | Benchmark | Small Caps ² | Global Equities ³ | Risk metrics (12 months) |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1 month | 1.5% | -1.7% | 2.2% | 3.1% | Volatility |
| 3 months | -3.9% | -1.2% | 10.7% | 11.7% | Sharpe Ratio |
| 6 months | -7.2% | -8.2% | 7.8% | 13.9% | Equity Correlation ⁴ |
| 12 months | -8.6% | -10.1% | 26.6% | 28.8% | Equity Beta ⁴ |
| Year to Date | 1.5% | -1.7% | 2.2% | 3.1% | Up-capture ⁴ |
| Since Inception | 37.8% | 11.3% | 86.8% | 122.9% | Down-capture ⁴ |
| Annualised | 6.0% | 2.0% | 12.0% | 15.7% | Up/Down Ratio ⁴ |
| | | | | | |

Positioning by theme and 'building block' (by net asset value)



US\$2B

1,952

Top holdings (by contribution to risk) Company 'Building block' Risk weight

Benchmark Small Caps² Global Equities³

19%

1.4

1.0

1.0

1.0

100%

100%

10%

2.8

0.7

0.4

46%

32%

1.4

25%

-0.4

0.5

0.7

66%

90%

0.7

| Company | 'Building block' | Risk weight |
|---------|--------------------|-------------|
| GEV US | Grid Equipment | 9.9% |
| ENR GY | Grid Equipment | 9.1% |
| PAAS US | Industrial Metals | 6.5% |
| OKLO US | Nuclear | 5.2% |
| AMPS US | Renewables | 4.6% |
| MP US | Industrial Metals | 3.9% |
| FLNC US | Stationary Storage | 3.8% |
| CCJUS | Nuclear | 3.8% |
| SU FP | Grid Equipment | 3.2% |
| RUN US | Renewables | 3.1% |
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Portfolio characteristics

Market cap

Number of holdings

(Median)

Portfolio Benchmark Small Caps² Global Equities³ Revenue growth rate 12% 10% 4% 2% (Forecast 3-year CAGR, 1-year P/E 18 18 47 23 (Median forecast) 3-year P/E 13 13 19 18 (Median forecast) 0.7 2.7 4.1 1.4 1-year leverage ratio (Net Debt/EBITDA)

US\$2B

105

Company research and engagement dashboard (last 12 months) Company meetings (one-on-one)

Portfolio 21%

-0.4

0.4

0.5

46%

64%

0.7

VOW GY, LIGHT NA, ITRI US, FGH AU, 9104 JP, VOW GY, NIU US, 968 HK, HASI US, VZLA CN, AA US, STEM US, 006400 KS, AMRC US, NXT US, MBTN SW, AMPS US, VBK GY, AA US, NGEX CN, SEDG US, SLR SM, 6594 JP, NEE US, GM US, JOBY US, CARR US, CEG US, NPI CN, SIE GY, TSLA US, EQIX US, EXC US, CSCO US, CEG US, ETN US, SU FP, SEDG US, LIGHT NA, ENR GY, AG US, PAAS US, IFX GY, AMPS US, PRY IM, NEX FP, NEL NO, SHLS US, 300750 CH, SMR US, 968 HK, NRGV US, AG US, NVX US, ABB US, VST US, CEG US, 6501 JP, TPIC US, ERO US, EGO US, CCJ US, TA CN, CS CN, CCJ US, 6594 JP, GFS US, AUR US, CDE US, HBM US, LIGHT NA, MBLY US, CDE US, LEU US, NDX1 GY, ANDR AV

Shareholder meetings (ballots cast)

ORSTED DC, IFX GY, NEL NO, 1211 HK, NDX1 GY, SHLS US, DAR US, LIGHT NA, AA US, ENPH US, NEE US, 968 HK, TPIC US, 1211 HK, 916 HK, SEDG US, HASI US, MP US, TSLA US, 6594 JP, RUN US, 916 HK, SLR SM, GFS US, NXT US, 1211 HK, CDLR US, CSCO US, 916 HK

US\$9B

38

US\$58B

1,395

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About T8 Energy Vision

Fund overview

- Global growth equities fund focused on future energy.
- Deep in-house research, risk management, direct company engagement, and reporting.
- Target returns of greater than 20%pa over a 3-5-year investment horizon.

Investment thesis

- Energy is the biggest investment opportunity since the tech boom started in the 1990s.
- . We believe that developed economies have entered a period of secular demand growth for electricity, kicked off by rapidly growing demand from data centres.
- T8 Energy Vision's investment focus is identifying the winners in this energy boom. We construct a portfolio of best ideas across our six key themes.

About T8

- Triple Eight Capital (T8) is dedicated to responsible investment. We believe that positive environmental and social benefits can be achieved without sacrificing investment returns. T8's responsible investment policy is available on our website.
- Our process is built on fully independent research, overseen by our Advisory Board which also provides deep industry insights.

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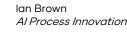
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¹The Clean Energy Index comprises equal weightings to the SPGTCLNT Index and ECOTR Index ²RU20INTR Index ³NDDUWI Index ⁴Relative to Small Caps

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| Exchange ticker | T8EV |
| Distributions | Annual |
| Trustee | EQT |
| Custodian | JPMorgan |
| Administrator | Apex |
| Auditor | EY |
| Management Fees | 1.25% |
| Benchmark | Clean Energy Index ¹ |

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