



## Alerian Announces Methodology Guide Changes

**Dallas, Texas** – February 5, 2016 – Alerian announced today that it has updated its methodology guides.

With the backdrop of an unprecedented decline experienced by energy Master Limited Partnerships (MLPs) over the past 17 months, Alerian is modifying its constituent criteria to respond dynamically to market conditions. These changes are meant to reduce the need for additional revisions in the future, while continuing to capture the investable universe, reflect industry trends, and minimize index turnover. A number of clarifications have also been made in response to stakeholder questions and comments since the last methodology guide update.

Current methodology guides for each of Alerian’s indices are available at [www.alerian.com/indices](http://www.alerian.com/indices).

In addition, a select number of methodology questions and clarifications submitted to [index@alerian.com](mailto:index@alerian.com) will be addressed in an Alerian Insights post later this month.

### **About Alerian**

Alerian equips investors to make informed decisions about Master Limited Partnerships (MLPs) and energy infrastructure. Its benchmarks, including the flagship Alerian MLP Index (AMZ), are widely used by industry executives, investment professionals, research analysts, and national media to analyze relative performance. Over \$14 billion is directly tied to the Alerian Index Series through exchange-traded funds and notes, separately managed accounts, and structured products. For more information, including index values and constituents, research content, and announcements regarding rebalancings, please visit [alerian.com](http://alerian.com).

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