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Rep. Wendy Brawley Seeks Federal Investigation of Tri-County Electric Cooperative Board.

Columbia, SC. August 22, 2018—Citing concerns for thousands of her constituents who are members of Tri-County Electric Cooperative, Rep. Wendy Brawley has requested an investigation into possible illegal activities perpetrated by the recently ousted Tri-County Electric Cooperative Board. In a letter to South Carolina's U.S. District Attorney Sherri Lydon, Brawley stated she has "grave concerns regarding possible corruption and other illegal activity" of the Tri-County Electric Cooperative Board.

Brawley's request for an investigation comes amid new revelations that former Tri-County Co-op Board members received free utility services totaling hundreds of thousands of dollars. Those costs, Brawley says, were ultimately borne by Tri-County Co-op members. "The members of Tri County Electric Cooperative deserve to have the abuses and possible illegal activities of former board members fully investigated to be certain the wrongdoing is exposed and punished," says Brawley. "As Tri-County Cooperative members move forward with selecting a new board, applicants for those board positions should be put on notice that the abuses of the past board will not be tolerated."