



A 25 year mutually beneficial and successful partnership!

A member of the Larimar Group, 2015 marks 70 years in which PUTCO has been part of the South African passenger transport history.

The Company was founded in 1945 as the Public Utility Transport Corporation. Carleo Enterprises acquired 51.6% of the shareholding in 1971 and the name was formally changed to PUTCO Limited in 1972.

In 2005 after being listed on the JSE for 60 years, PUTCO delisted to take on empowerment partners. PUTCO has established itself as the largest commuter bus operator in South Africa. The company employs more than 4 000 people, has a fleet in excess of 1 900 buses which travel approximately 90 million kilometres per annum in the transportation of over 230 000 passengers daily.

Embrace is used not only by PUTCO, but also by other member companies within the Larimar Group. Our utilization of Embrace is not restricted to only the operation and accounting of our passenger service, but also provides the facility to engineer and manufacture products used in the service and maintenance of our bus fleet.

PUTCO's partnership with Associated Computer Solutions (ACS) began in 1990 when the decision was taken to implement a fully integrated real-time software solution to the meet the company's business requirements. ACS-Embrace was a fledgling company back then but has, in the course of our 25 year relationship, continued to meet the challenges facing our industry. ACS-Embrace is able to offer standard and/or custom solutions to meet the evolving nature of the Larimar Group of companies' requirements. **Embrace being a South African developed ERP System offers the added benefit of understanding the South African market as well as facilitating support to its clients.**

Our years with ACS-Embrace have afforded both companies the benefit of developing good interpersonal relationships. Their willingness to go the extra mile, especially when times are tough, is testament to that.

PUTCO and the Larimar Group look forward to many more years in successful partnership with ACS-Embrace.



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