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Bloomingdale's Workers Protest Over Wages, Health Care

New York, NY - Hundreds of Bloomingdale's workers in New York City have taken to the streets to demand a better contract with the company.

Mark Spellman was among the workers rallying outside Bloomingdale's flagship store on Third Avenue today.

Union officials representing some 2,000 Bloomingdale's employees say they are in negotiations with the company on a new four-year contract, but a large bridge divides the two sides when it comes to wages and health care.

Many employees say they are barely making ends meet as it is, and having to pay more for their health care would be disastrous for them. Union officials say Bloomingdale's sales have been particularly strong according to numbers released by parent company Macy's Inc., and they'd like to see some of that profit trickle down to the workers.