

Workers' contract expires with Dematic Corp., negotiations continue

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GRAND RAPIDS -- Negotiations are ongoing for 118 hourly workers at Dematic Corp., 507 Plymouth Ave. NE, according to a company spokesman.

The five-year contract with United Auto Workers Local 1485 expired at 7 a.m. Wednesday, but talks are still under way.

One issue: the possibility of moving manufacturing to Memphis. Workers at the conveyor design and manufacturing business founded here as Rapistan were notified of the potential relocation last month.

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