

## Son Volt

# "When the Wheels Don't Move"

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Who'll work the assembly line?  
Who'll pull the freight on time?  
Who'll work the all night haul?  
Who'll explain it all when the wheels don't move?

Bigger chariots didn't save Rome  
Easy money didn't stay at home  
They said the iron horse would always roam  
Who'll tell the children when the wheels don't move?

Man's power over nature  
Hubris and greed let the fossil fuels burn  
No way to keep the wings in flight  
When the turbine engines don't move

Going green a casino catch phrase  
Ethanol's made of smoke and mirrors  
Who makes the decision to feed the tanks  
And not the mouths when the wheels don't move?  
When the wheels don't move

Red planet as salvation  
Divine hope turns to depredation  
Who'll be left to make that station?  
Devoid of God and nation we trust  
The wheels don't move

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