Institution Green

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The walls are cracked and dim
And we are standin' in a line
Waitin' for our faces to be seenInstitution Green
Watch the floor and count the hours
None will meet my eye
Private people in this public placeI wonder if they'll take a look
Find my name inside that book
Lose me on the printed page
Where to point the aimless rageI cast my vote upon this earth
Take my place for what it's worth
Hunger for a pair of eyes
To notice and to recognizeInstitution Green
A woman stands behind a table
She will call my name
After that I'll be admitted inI wonder if they'll take a look
Find my name inside that book
Lose me on the printed page
Where to point the aimless rageI cast my vote upon this earth
Take my place for what it's worth
Hunger for a pair of eyes
To notice and to recognize
(Ahhh ahhh ahhh ahhh ahhh)
(Ahhh ahhh ahhh)Institution Green
Teach me how to pull the lever
Push the curtain closed
Take what's needed then just let me goTake what's needed then just let me go
La la la la la
La la la la la
La la la la la la
And then just let me go
Take what's needed then just let me go
Just let me go
Just let me go
Just let me go

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