## Johnny Horton, Rock Island Line

ROCK ISLAND LINE (Johnny's version)

Now this here's the story about the Rock Island Line

Now the Rock Island Line she run down into New Orleans

Just before you get into New Orleans why they got a big toll gate

Where you gotta pay the man just so much

Course, if you got certain things on board you're okay

You don't have to pay the man nothin

Right now we see a train she pull into the station

The man he stick his head out the window

And he yelled down at the man

I got pigs, I got horses, I got cows

I got sheep, I got all livestock, I got all livestock

I got all livestock

The man say, boy you okay

You go on through, you don't have to pay nothin'

So the man he go on through

The train get on down away from the station a little bit why he started pickin'up a little bit of steam

He started pickin' up a little bit of speed

The driver think he safely out of sight of the man so he stick his head out of the window

And he yelled back down the line at the man

Well, I fooled you, I fooled you

I got pig iron, I got pig iron

I got all pig iron, (Hey, Hey)

Now I'll tell you where I'm goin' boy

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