The Human League, WXJL Tonight

The way it was in the past
A long, long time ago
Before staff levels dropped
They used to listen to the radio
And listen to the DJ's talk
About the songs they didn't know
As if it really mattered

Hit-pick or phone-in show
I don't want you to go tonight
Ten thousand watts of power
News headlines on the hour tonight
Our music beats the best
You just don't need the rest tonight
Once I couldn't care at all
But I can feel the ratings fall tonight

And 20 years ago
No-one seemed to care
The people must have known
The DJ's role was only there
To fill in space between the songs
That talk of love and other things
As if they didn't matter

Automatic stations came
And sent them all away
And now I'm left alone
I haven't got a word to say
And you're the one who makes the choice
To turn me on or turn me off
But now it really matters

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