Are 'Friends' Electric?

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It's cold outside
And the paint's peeling off my walls
There's a man outside
In a long coat gray hair smoking a cigarette
Now the light fades out
And I wonder what I'm doing in a room like this
There's a knock on the door
And just for a second I thought I remembered you
So now I'm alone
And I can think for myself
About little deals and s.u.'s
And things I just don't understand
Like a white lie that night
Or a sly touch at times
I don't think it meant anything to you

So I open the door It's the friend that I'd left in the hallway Please sit down A candle-lit shadow on the wall near the bed You know I hate to ask But are friends electric? Only Mine's broken down And now I've no one to love So I found out your reasons For the phone calls and smiles And it hurts and I'm lonely And I should never have tried And I missed you tonight So it's time to leave You see this meant everything to me