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CANDY NOW!, self-titled (BEZF/MVD Audio) ★★★½ — Candy Now! might not be the best new band to come down the pike this year, but they certainly are among the most entertaining. Combining the vocal talents of Blag Dahlia and Angelina Moysov, this self-titled debut pulls off a wonderful boy/girl dynamic with a dozen catchy and/or hilarious songs to keep listeners entertained throughout the course of 32 minutes.

From the twangy delight “Waiting Here for You” to the loungefied “When You Were Mine” to the power-pop laughfest “I Think Your Boyfriend’s Dead and I Love You” (one of the year’s top song titles, no doubt), there’s plenty to like about Candy Now! There are a couple misfires — “Take Me to Your Leader,” “Revolving” — that prevent it from being an essential release, but it’s a hell of a lot of fun. (JS)