

Weezer to release new album—er, single—after ‘Raditude’
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After the release of their new album, titled “Raditude,” rock band Weezer has announced that they will be releasing a new single, separate from the anticipated album.

“We’re really excited about this,” said frontman Rivers Cuomo on the band’s website. “We’re trying something no other one’s ever done before.”

The last artist to do this was Buddy Holly in 1957.

“It may seem like an out-of-the-box idea that no one else has done,” said Cuomo. “But I like to be a troublemaker.”

The single’s title is still not known, but reports state that it will be 2 minutes and 11 seconds long, making one of Weezer’s longest songs. The single will be packaged in a standard jewel case with the album artwork consisting of the band standing in front of a yellow background, underneath the band name.

Along with the lead single, the CD will also include 9 B-sides. “We don’t expect people to like these other songs,” said Cuomo. “They’re throwaways. I would hardly consider them tracks.”

Weezer guitarist Brian Bell added, “Good songs? Why bother?”

The single, along with the B-sides will be 8 minutes and 30 seconds total, making it longer than most of Weezer’s previous albums. Pre-orders on iTunes will include a bonus remix by the single’s producer, Timbaland, the self-proclaimed Greatest Man That Ever Lived.

“This is the future today,” said Timbaland. “Why put out albums full of decent songs anymore? That was never Weezer’s strong suit anyway. By releasing it as a single and including a significant amount of B-sides, we are allowed to push the decent song and still charge album price. This is like the perfect situation for me.”

Mr. Land added, “It’s the good life. You have no idea how much money I make from schemes like this.”

“Raditude” will drop in stores on Nov. 3, while the new single’s release date is not yet known, as Weezer has not written the song (or the subsequent B-sides) yet.

Recording will take place in the garage Beverly Hills studio. It will be available wherever records are sold.