A Reply

it's not easy

my kisses will leave bite marks on your lower lip, lick saltwater off your flushed cheeks, tease nipples, taste dust, twist your tongue & suck up your patience.

don't mind me

my favorite lip color is NO-TELL MOTEL

so I won't match the furniture

& if you want teeth tangled in lace garters

then you gotta stroke the hair trigger—

gently, "babe"

'cause my body has no gauge or choke

so guard me with safety

& support my mood's uppers and lowers

because I'm stripped from cocked invasions

what I want

is for you not to ride the slide but blow

off the vapor rolling through my body

my new addiction is getting high from your stovepipe

& we've both been given bad batches and limp wrists

shush, it's okay

love is learning from past misfires

so let me hold you firmly

& we can Tap-Rack-Bang out of Steel-Jaw traps

come share in my remedy my Buff

& I'll heat you up—

ignite the charge as

my palms feed lifelines into your heart