Wheels: Jack of Dayton asks my comments regarding having his new vehicle rust proofed.

Halderman: Rust proofing used to be very popular and I used to have my own vehicles treated. Twenty years ago rust proofing added to the resale value and helped reduce rust through, although it did little to prevent rust caused by stone chips. Today, most vehicle manufacturers specify corrosion resistant metals and coatings that have reduced the necessity for additional rust protection. Most vehicles today use galvanized (zinc-coated) steel and I no longer recommend that aftermarket rust proofing. Any holes drilled into the metal panels of the vehicle could cause corrosion.

