Wheels: What could happen if the brake fluid was not changed?

Halderman: When brake fluid absorbs moisture, it can start rusting or corroding the metal parts in the brake system. This rust and corrosion can damage disc brake calipers, wheel cylinders, and antilock brakes (ABS) hydraulic control units. Because these parts are so expensive, it is wise to change the brake fluid according to the vehicle manufacturer's recommended intervals.

