

Wheels: David Z writes, “I have a 1994 S-10 Chevy Blazer. For some reason, it has developed a problem of not wanting to start. After 3 or 4 times, it will start and sometimes it seems to run rough. Also the exhaust has a very bad smell of sulfur (rotten eggs). Someone thought it was the fuel pump since it is so hard to start, but I don’t think so because of the smell. I have had the problem of running rough before and the “check engine” light came on. I took it to a garage and they said that it was carbon deposits, which they cleaned somehow, but this time the light hasn’t come on. P.S. The battery is new.”

Halderman: The sulfur smell indicates to me that raw gasoline is in the exhaust. I think your truck has a throttle body-type fuel injection system, which is normally very reliable. Because the fuel is not being burned, this leads me to think that a weak spark or defective components in the ignition system are the causes, such as worn spark plugs, high-resistance spark plug wires, or a defective distributor cap and/or rotor.

