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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF SOUTH DAKOTA SOUTHERN DIVISION

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ROBERT B. MONLUX,

CIV. 11-4180

Plaintiff,

-VS-

**ORDER** 

MICHAEL J. ASTRUE,

Commissioner of Social Security,

Defendant.

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This Court referred the case to United States Magistrate Judge John E. Simko for the purpose of issuing a Report and Recommendation. The Magistrate Judge has recommended that the Commissioner's denial of benefits be reversed and remanded for an immediate award of benefits pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 405(g), sentence four.

A sentence four remand is proper when the district court makes a substantive ruling regarding the correctness of the Commissioner's decision and remands the case in accordance with such ruling. Buckner v. Apfel, 213 F.3d 1006, 1010 (8th Cir. 2000). Remand with instructions to award benefits is appropriate "only if the record overwhelmingly supports such a finding." Buckner at 1011.

The Court has carefully reviewed the Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation and the record of the administrative proceedings. After having reviewed the record, the Court agrees with the Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation. Accordingly, it is hereby

## ORDERED that:

- The Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation (Doc. 16) is ADOPTED by the Court.
- 2. Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment (Doc. 11) is GRANTED.
- 3. The Commissioner's decision is REVERSED under sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g) and the case is REMANDED to the Commissioner for an immediate award of benefits.

Dated this \( \frac{1}{\infty} \) day of December, 2012.

BY THE COURT:

Lawrence L. Pierso

United District Court Judge

ATTEST:

JOSEPH HAAS, Clerk