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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
9 AT SEATTLE

10 JOEL VELTKAMP,

11 Plaintiff,

v.

12 NANCY A. BERRYHILL, Acting  
13 Commissioner of Social Security,

14 Defendant.

15 CASE NO. C17-5467-JCC

16 ORDER

17 This matter comes before the Court on the parties' stipulated motion to remand for  
18 further proceedings (Dkt. No. 13). The motion is GRANTED.

19 The Court ORDERS that the Commissioner's decision in regard to Plaintiff's application  
20 for disability insurance and supplemental security income payments under Titles II and XVI of  
21 the Social Security Act be REVERSED and REMANDED to the Commissioner of Social  
22 Security for further administrative proceedings, including a new hearing and a new decision.  
23 The Appeals Council agrees to affirm the Administrative Law Judge's (ALJ) finding that  
24 Plaintiff was disabled for the period between February 27, 2009 and April 3, 2015. The Appeals  
25 Council agrees to remand this case to an ALJ for resolution of the following issues for the period  
26 beginning April 4, 2015 the ALJ will: reevaluate the improvement in Plaintiff's condition,  
including a reevaluation of the medical opinion evidence; reconsider Plaintiff's subjective

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1 statements; reassess Plaintiff's residual functional capacity; and, if necessary, obtain  
2 supplemental evidence from a vocational expert.

3 This Court hereby REVERSES the Commissioner's decision under sentence four of 42  
4 U.S.C. §405(g) and REMANDS the case to the Commissioner for further proceedings. *See*  
5 *Melkonyan v. Sullivan*, 501 U.S. 89 (1991).

6 DATED this 14th day of November, 2017.

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John C. Coughenour  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE