Solar diurnal variation of galactic cosmic rays: Possible interpretation of >100 GV anisotropies

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Recent observations of the Matsushiro deep underground muon telescope indicate that, the solar diurnal variation (corrected for the Compton-Getting anisotropy due to the Earth's orbital motion) has a solar cycle variation and a 0.04% wave extends to rigidities as high as several hundreds of GV during solar maximum. We construct a simple model to simulate the motion of high-rigidity particles in the heliosphere assuming different heliospheric current sheet (HCS) configurations. We find that a highly tilted and warped sheet may result in an anisotropy, comparable to that observed at Matsushiro around \sim 600GV. The phase of the observed and simulated anisotropies will be compared and discussed.