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SHREVEPORT, LA— Feature film “I LOVE YOU, PHILIP MORRIS,” starring Jim Carrey and Ewan McGregor recently signed with The Louisiana Wave Studio to shoot a key water-action scene in their one-of-a-kind wave-making tank built in 2005 by Disney (Touchstone or Beacon Pictures?) for their Coast Guard rescue-swimmer drama, “The Guardian,” starring Kevin Costner and Ashton Kutcher.

According to Wave Studio co-manager Ken Atchity, native Louisiana producer whose “Ripley’s Believe It Or Not!” will also star Carrey, two tests performed for the production company “could not have gone better.” Col. Victor Lent, the wave tank’s technical Chief of Operations conducted the tests and Roger DeKay, Louisiana Wave Studio’s Shreveport representative supervised.

“I Love You Phillip Morris” is the improbable but true story of a spectacularly charismatic conman's journey from small-town businessman to flamboyant white-collar criminal who repeatedly finds himself in trouble with the law and on the lam, brilliantly escaping from the Texas prison system on four separate occasions – all in the name of love. The film is based on Houston Chronicle crime reporter Steve McVicker’s book of the same title.

Luc Besson's Europa Corp. is financing the film with the primary lensing being done in New Orleans. The film marks the directing debut for writing team Glenn Ficarra and John Requa ("Bad News Bears," "Cats & Dogs," "Bad Santa"). Mad Chance's Andrew Lazar is producing with Far Shariat, and Besson is executive producing.

Co-manager Fred Griffin adds: "We're grateful to everyone in Shreveport who worked together to make this happen, especially to Mayor Glover and Arlena Acree of the Mayor's Office of Film & Television. The Sealy Company has been generous in its cooperation and Fred White, of CCD, has maintained the tank and kept it at peak performance. At every test we've conducted so far it fired right up."

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