Intro (30sec)
– briefly outline presentation

Environmetal Impacts (1min)
– 3 Issues
– High Consumption, High Landfill Use
– Manufacturing Unsustainable
    – utilizes fossile fuels
– Death of Wildlife
    – a million birds die annually
    – marine life mistake plastic bags to be jellyfish
        – 100,00 die annually
        – leatherback turtle found dead with 57kg of plastic bags in its innards (1998)
        – Minke whale was similarly found dead with 800kg of plastic bags (2002)

Biodegradable, Bioerodable, Recycle (2 min)
– differentiate biodegradable & bioerodable   (slide)
– point out why PE bags are used   (table)
– point out why biodegradable & bioerodables need to be seperated   (table)
– "recycled" around the home for various purposes
    – not quite recycling, endpoint still landfill   (graph)

Australian Efforts (2 min)
– consumer awareness & levy-free (ie. "Clean Up Australia" campaign)
– No Implementation (pamphlets, website, staff)
– 303 bags per capita (2002)
– 192 bags per capita (2005)
– Bag Reduction Potential Unknown
    – possibly reached it's limit
    – if not, how much more can it reduce usage by? Unknown

Irish PlasTax (2 min)
– originally addressed litter problem
– cover content on slide
– simple implementation
    – collection procedures can be like sales tax
    – cash registers just need software update
    – government must have staff in place to answer questions, appeals, etc

Bangladeshi Plastic Bag Ban (2min)
– cover content on slide
– briefly explain potential public unrest (people used to having PE shopping bags)
– briefly explain new problems (ie. garbage bin liners)

Chinese Free Plastic Bag Ban & Conclusion (30 sec)
– 3 billion bags per day
– quickly run over slide, stress unknown
– wrap up findings